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STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

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Section 1.—Population and Vital Statistics.

AREA AND POPULATION.

State or Territory.	Area— Square Miles.	Population (Excluding Full-blood Australian Aborigines).						
		Census—30th June, 1933.			Estimated 30th June, 1946. (a)			Popula- tion— Capital Cities, 31st Dec., 1943.
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
N.S.W.	309,433	1,318,471	1,282,376	2,600,847	1,460,618	1,464,036	2,924,654	1,398,000
Victoria	87,884	903,244	917,017	1,820,261	1,000,923	1,029,964	2,030,887	1,170,000
Q'land.	670,500	497,217	450,317	947,534	561,851	529,375	1,091,226	370,500
S. Aust.	380,070	290,962	289,987	580,949	314,902	321,558	636,460	362,500
W. Aust.	975,920	233,937	204,915	438,852	255,526	238,554	494,080	263,000
Tasmania	26,215	115,097	112,502	227,599	126,261	124,802	251,063	70,800
N. Terr.	523,620	3,378	1,472	4,850	4,028	1,222	5,250	(b)
A.C.T.	939	4,805	4,142	8,947	7,339	7,642	14,981	12,200
Australia	2,974,581	3,367,111	3,262,728	6,629,839	3,731,448	3,717,153	7,448,601	3,647,000 (c)

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Not available.

(c) Excludes Darwin, N.T.

ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.(a)

31st Dec.—	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A. C. T. (b)	Australia.
1900	1,360,305	1,196,213	493,847	357,250	179,967	172,900	4,857	..	3,765,339
1910	1,643,855	1,301,408	599,016	406,868	276,832	193,803	3,301	..	4,425,083
1920	2,091,722	1,527,909	750,624	491,006	331,323	212,752	3,989	1,972	5,411,297
1930	2,546,353	1,792,605	916,736	574,467	431,610	225,297	4,964	8,719	6,500,751
1938	2,735,695	1,873,760	1,004,150	595,109	462,461	241,407	5,645	11,464	6,929,691
1940c	2,782,846	1,918,217	1,031,471	599,363	472,620	243,343	6,299	14,085	7,068,244
1942c	2,830,417	1,965,965	1,039,626	612,593	479,281	241,901	4,928	14,621	7,189,332
1943c	2,851,223	1,985,916	1,056,883	618,064	481,676	243,670	5,133	14,200	7,256,765
1944c	2,881,306	2,002,868	1,070,319	624,924	487,431	246,171	5,188	14,494	7,332,701
1945c	2,912,983	2,020,630	1,086,628	632,609	492,018	249,414	5,242	14,804	7,414,328

(a) Adjusted in accordance with Census results.

(b) Prior to 1911, part of New South Wales.

(c) Revised.

ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.(a)

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A. C. T. (b)	Australia.
1901	1,363,373	1,203,137	501,432	357,343	188,135	172,525	4,765	..	3,790,710
1910	1,632,990	1,282,477	591,591	397,700	271,019	191,005	3,403	..	4,370,185
1920	2,067,715	1,512,093	745,957	486,619	330,023	210,350	4,211	2,174	5,359,142
1930	2,532,289	1,786,217	910,319	573,242	429,079	220,933	4,979	8,961	6,466,019
1938	2,721,196	1,867,818	1,000,749	592,579	459,977	235,678	5,726	11,124	6,894,847
1940c	2,772,132	1,903,702	1,026,099	599,103	470,906	240,438	6,255	13,556	7,032,191
1942c	2,816,052	1,963,059	1,037,374	610,502	478,240	240,520	4,868	14,591	7,165,206
1943c	2,838,426	1,977,329	1,049,570	615,257	480,125	242,329	5,076	14,202	7,222,314
1944c	2,866,586	1,994,478	1,063,651	621,378	484,535	244,967	5,159	14,346	7,295,100
1945c	2,897,526	2,011,878	1,078,530	628,913	489,803	247,803	5,217	14,643	7,374,313

(a) Adjusted in accordance with Census results.

(b) Prior to 1911, part of New South Wales.

(c) Revised.

NOTE.—The population estimates for the years 1939 onward include surviving members of the fighting forces according to the State in which they resided prior to their enlistment, and irrespective of whether they were within Australia or overseas.

Owing to troop movements records of interstate migration are unsatisfactory, and estimates of State populations since the commencement of the war are still subject to adjustment for interstate migration.

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES.

State or Territory.	Births.			Deaths.(a)			Marriages.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	

QUARTER ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1946.

New South Wales	7,830	7,279	15,109	4,045	3,088	7,133	8,205
Victoria..	5,223	4,873	10,096	2,723	2,550	5,273	5,707
Queensland ..	3,287	3,123	6,410	1,580	1,085	2,665	3,094
South Australia ..	1,828	1,682	3,510	865	753	1,618	1,723
Western Australia	1,365	1,239	2,604	677	441	1,118	1,320
Tasmania ..	760	683	1,443	352	283	635	706
Northern Territory	13	17	30	11	1	12	16
Australian Capital Territory ..	53	59	112	11	12	23	40
Australia ..	20,359	18,955	39,314	10,264	8,213	18,477	20,811

SIX MONTHS ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1946.

New South Wales	15,548	14,600	30,148	7,538	5,945	13,483	16,411
Victoria..	10,555	9,719	20,274	5,193	4,816	10,009	10,996
Queensland ..	6,490	6,177	12,667	2,967	2,063	5,030	6,105
South Australia ..	3,510	3,298	6,808	1,565	1,363	2,928	3,389
Western Australia	2,631	2,416	5,047	1,281	905	2,186	2,621
Tasmania ..	1,486	1,384	2,870	664	518	1,182	1,333
Northern Territory	24	33	57	18	2	20	30
Australian Capital Territory ..	112	109	221	26	18	44	78
Australia ..	40,356	37,736	78,092	19,252	15,630	34,882	40,963

(a) Excludes deaths of Defence personnel and of Internees and Prisoners of War from overseas.

State or Territory.	1938.	1943.	1944.	1945.	Six months ended 30th June—	
					1945.	1946.

BIRTHS—NUMBER.

New South Wales ..	47,319	57,265	59,612	61,662	31,540	30,148
Victoria ..	30,344	39,117	39,358	41,200	20,736	20,274
Queensland ..	18,992	23,234	24,520	26,713	14,288	12,667
South Australia ..	9,410	13,145	13,311	14,033	7,286	6,808
Western Australia ..	9,141	10,481	10,870	10,672	5,617	5,047
Tasmania ..	4,907	5,597	5,200	5,785	2,931	2,870
Northern Territory ..	102	80	89	90	51	57
Australian Capital Territory	200	376	384	405	195	221
Australia ..	120,415	149,295	153,344	160,560	82,644	78,092

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES—continued.

State or Territory.	1938.	1943.	1944.	1945.	Six months ended 30th June—	
					1945.	1946.
BIRTH-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.						
		(a)	(a)	(a)	(b)	(b)
New South Wales	17.39	20.17	20.80	21.28	21.74	20.65
Victoria	16.25	19.78	19.73	20.48	20.58	20.02
Queensland	18.98	22.14	23.05	24.77	26.48	23.25
South Australia	15.88	21.37	21.42	22.31	23.16	21.46
Western Australia.. ..	19.87	21.83	22.43	21.79	22.86	20.47
Tasmania	20.82	23.10	21.23	23.35	23.65	22.93
Northern Territory	17.81	15.76	17.25	17.25	19.62	21.80
Australian Capital Territory	17.98	26.48	26.77	27.66	26.53	29.68
Australia	17.46	20.67	21.02	21.77	22.38	21.01

(a) Revised.

(b) Equivalent annual rates.

DEATHS(a)—NUMBER.

New South Wales	26,105	28,870	26,652	26,994	12,628	13,483
Victoria	18,955	21,327	20,502	20,496	9,510	10,009
Queensland	9,201	10,576	9,385	9,459	4,572	5,030
South Australia	5,539	6,482	5,984	6,049	2,805	2,928
Western Australia	4,234	4,587	4,478	4,712	2,190	2,186
Tasmania	2,288	2,527	2,494	2,413	1,171	1,182
Northern Territory	69	49	31	35	17	20
Australian Capital Territory	60	68	70	73	29	44
Australia	66,451	74,486	69,596	70,231	32,922	34,882

(a) Excludes deaths of Defence personnel and of Internees and Prisoners of War from overseas.

DEATH-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

		(a)	(a)	(a)	(b)	(b)
New South Wales	9.59	10.17	9.30	9.32	8.70	9.24
Victoria	10.15	10.79	10.28	10.19	9.44	9.88
Queensland	9.19	10.08	8.82	8.77	8.47	9.23
South Australia	9.35	10.54	9.63	9.62	8.92	9.23
Western Australia	9.20	9.55	9.24	9.62	8.91	8.87
Tasmania	9.71	10.43	10.18	9.74	9.45	9.44
Northern Territory	12.05	9.65	6.01	6.71	6.54	7.65
Australian Capital Territory	5.39	4.79	4.88	4.99	3.95	5.91
Australia	9.64	10.31	9.54	9.52	8.92	9.39

(a) Revised.

(b) Equivalent annual rates.

MARRIAGES—NUMBER.

New South Wales	24,579	26,302	26,426	25,283	12,613	16,411
Victoria	17,113	18,356	17,857	16,501	8,228	10,996
Queensland	8,853	9,979	11,325	9,905	5,152	6,105
South Australia	5,489	6,263	6,019	5,321	2,717	3,389
Western Australia	4,153	4,528	4,506	3,788	1,893	2,621
Tasmania	2,082	2,102	1,935	1,868	907	1,333
Northern Territory	67	46	31	48	21	30
Australian Capital Territory	75	97	102	108	52	78
Australia	62,411	67,673	68,201	62,822	31,583	40,963

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES—continued.

State or Territory.	1938.	1943.	1944.	1945.	Six months ended 30th June—	
					1945.	1946.
MARRIAGE-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.						
New South Wales	9.03	(a) 9.27	(a) 9.22	(a) 8.73	(b) 8.69	(b) 11.24
Victoria	9.16	9.28	8.95	8.20	8.17	10.86
Queensland	8.85	9.51	10.65	9.18	9.55	11.21
South Australia	9.26	10.18	9.69	8.46	8.64	10.68
Western Australia	9.03	9.43	9.30	7.73	7.70	10.63
Tasmania	8.83	8.67	7.90	7.54	7.32	10.65
Northern Territory	11.70	9.06	6.01	9.20	8.08	11.47
Australian Capital Territory	6.74	6.83	7.11	7.38	7.07	10.48
Australia	9.05	9.37	9.35	8.52	8.55	11.02

(a) Revised. (b) Equivalent annual rates.

DEATHS OF CHILDREN UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE.

New South Wales ..	1,980	2,072	1,829	1,889	924	941
Victoria ..	1,038	1,399	1,258	1,155	519	556
Queensland ..	784	878	768	795	411	366
South Australia ..	287	482	387	394	184	164
Western Australia ..	309	342	354	315	152	160
Tasmania ..	195	227	199	159	74	89
Northern Territory ..	6	6	2	5	1	1
Australian Capital Territory	8	7	9	5	2	6
Australia ..	4,607	5,413	4,806	4,717	2,267	2,283

INFANTILE MORTALITY—PER 1,000 BIRTHS.

New South Wales ..	41.84	36.18	30.68	30.63	29.30	31.21
Victoria ..	34.21	35.76	31.96	28.03	25.03	27.42
Queensland ..	41.28	37.79	31.32	29.76	28.77	28.89
South Australia ..	30.50	36.67	29.07	28.08	25.25	24.09
Western Australia ..	33.80	32.63	32.57	29.52	27.06	31.70
Tasmania ..	39.74	40.56	38.27	27.48	25.25	31.01
Northern Territory ..	58.82	75.00	22.47	55.56	19.61	17.54
Australian Capital Territory	40.00	18.62	23.44	12.35	10.26	27.15
Australia ..	38.26	36.26	31.34	29.38	27.43	29.23

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.(a)

Adjusted in accordance with the results of the 1933 Census.

Year.	Arrivals.			Departures.			Excess of Arrivals over Departures.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
1921-25 ..	289,695	188,357	478,052	171,974	122,535	294,509	183,543
1926-30 ..	266,593	203,887	470,480	193,013	147,409	340,422	130,058
1931-35 ..	124,207	115,116	239,323	134,883	115,326	250,209	(b) 10,886
1936-40 ..	161,774	159,538	321,312	140,901	137,283	278,184	43,128
1941-45 ..	35,422	28,503	63,925	30,097	26,019	56,116	7,809
1938 ..	39,910	38,018	77,928	34,206	34,585	68,791	9,137
1941 ..	11,861	10,806	22,661	10,063	7,414	17,477	5,184
1942 ..	6,295	5,971	12,266	3,059	3,041	6,100	6,166
1943 ..	3,931	2,194	6,125	2,822	2,032	4,854	1,271
1944 ..	4,454	3,043	7,497	5,389	4,291	9,680	(b) 2,183
1945 ..	8,881	6,495	15,376	8,764	9,241	18,005	(b) 2,629
1945 (six months)	3,349	2,385	5,734	3,494	3,730	7,224	(b) 1,490
1946 (six months)	6,774	7,172	13,946	10,286	12,284	22,570	(b) 8,624

(a) Excludes troop movements 1939 and onward.

(b) Excess of Departures over Arrivals.

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.^(a)

ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to Nationality or Race of Persons who arrived or departed.

Nationality or Race.	Arrivals.			Departures.		
	Quarter ended June—	Six months ended June—		Quarter ended June—	Six months ended June—	
		1946.	1945.		1946.	1945.
European—						
American (U.S.) ..	395	211	823	1,642	414	2,318
British (b) (Native born) ..	6,331	4,872	10,982	9,930	6,217	17,796
Danish	15	9	23	40	10	59
Dutch	335	247	922	699	40	977
Finnish	2	1	2	4	1	5
French	93	164	237	123	202	198
German	40	13	76	50	24	81
Greek	10	4	26	5	4	9
Italian	10	2	12	25	27	33
Norwegian	16	8	37	49	6	73
Polish	43	22	69	32	10	55
Russian	33	24	50	30	27	55
Swedish	5	2	11	22	14	33
Swiss	13	4	15	27	9	49
Yugoslav	28	..	51	3	2	4
Other	130	32	192	88	41	133
Total European ..	7,499	5,615	13,528	12,769	7,048	21,878
Non-European—						
Chinese	73	70	149	159	23	179
East Indian (natives) ..	2	18	4	15	95	234
Filipino	1	..	2	3	..	6
Indian and Cingalese ..	65	8	194	156	34	201
Japanese	3	..	3	..	..	1
Malay	3	..	5	13	..	39
Thai	1	..	1	..	..	..
Syrian	4	..	4	..	2	1
Other Asiatic	7	12	18	15	8	18
Papuan	13	..	19	..	..	..
Polynesian, Melanesian ..	5	5	10	4	7	8
Other Non-European ..	9	6	9	4	7	5
Total Non-European ..	186	119	418	369	176	692
GRAND TOTAL ..	7,685	5,734	13,946	13,138	7,224	22,570

(a) Excludes troop movements.

(b) Includes Maltese and Cypriote.

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.(a)

ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to the Countries from which the Persons arrived or to which they departed.

Country.	Arrivals.			Departures.		
	Quarter ended June—	Six months ended June—		Quarter ended June—	Six months ended June—	
	1946.	1945.	1946.	1946.	1945.	1946.
Great Britain	2,747	952	4,000	2,094	2,749	4,697
Canada .. ..	..	23	38	14	31	19
Fiji	96	42	361	36	44	54
Hong Kong	184	..	399	184	..	213
India and Ceylon	128	424	538	348	418	671
New Zealand	2,313	2,240	4,191	2,322	1,632	5,015
Norfolk Island .. ..	..	57	22	24	68	82
Papua	100	150	200	585	79	1,019
Solomon Islands .. ..	..	3	..	15	3	32
Straits Settlements	635	..	739	680	..	934
Territory of New Guinea	87	330	168	333	131	474
Union of South Africa	45	153	118	198	172	203
Other British Possessions	152	8	292	43	7	141
Total, British Countries	6,487	4,382	11,066	6,876	5,334	13,554
Egypt	2	1	39	6	5	6
France	1	..	1	18	..	18
Germany .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Italy .. ..	..	..	8	5	..	5
Japan	9	..	10	6	..	6
Netherlands East Indies	129	154	646	482	201	797
New Caledonia	79	126	202	87	178	138
Philippine Islands	82	388	110	179	43	216
South Sea Islands	22	81	65	29	132	83
United States of America	738	543	1,554	5,050	1,244	7,044
Other Foreign Countries	136	59	245	400	87	703
Total Foreign Countries	1,198	1,352	2,880	6,262	1,890	9,016
GRAND TOTAL ..	7,685	5,734	13,946	13,138	7,224	22,570

(a) Excludes troop movements.

Section II.—Production.
PRINCIPAL CROPS—AUSTRALIA.
AREA OF CROPS.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar-cane.	Total Area of Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1938-39 ..	14,346,380	1,784,205	324,146	3,250,260	368,592	23,497,780
1940-41 ..	12,644,646	1,722,902	362,871	2,353,506	371,623	21,117,830
1941-42 ..	12,003,483	1,460,472	301,360	2,758,128	352,178	20,450,345
1942-43 ..	9,280,345	1,496,913	284,592	2,359,115	329,051	17,419,717
1943-44 ..	7,875,121	1,415,344	282,681	2,044,114	336,419	15,902,212
1944-45 ..	8,463,151	2,034,480	256,955	2,408,683	325,978	17,471,853
1945-46(a) ..	11,425,384	1,949,047	235,970	2,757,236	336,960	20,334,638

(a) Subject to revision.

TOTAL PRODUCTION.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar-cane.	Cane Sugar.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1938-39 ..	155,368,621	15,554,735	7,056,642	3,321,161	5,678,894	820,086
1940-41 ..	82,233,324	10,199,218	9,192,744	2,177,470	5,523,416	806,457
1941-42 ..	166,712,865	22,302,478	7,436,174	3,574,888	5,153,670	745,980
1942-43 ..	155,727,983	21,531,525	6,884,953	3,116,055	4,691,501	649,899
1943-44 ..	109,719,577	17,711,918	7,432,618	2,716,872	3,687,981	523,865
1944-45 ..	52,879,802	8,969,697	6,462,987	1,993,518	4,598,318	669,943
1945-46(a) ..	142,409,556	25,774,113	5,741,318	3,492,975	4,647,514	663,903

(a) Subject to revision.

AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.

	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.(a)	Tons.(a)
1938-39 ..	10.83	8.72	21.77	1.02	21.65	3.13
1940-41 ..	6.50	5.92	25.33	0.93	20.20	2.95
1941-42 ..	13.89	15.27	24.67	1.30	20.25	2.93
1942-43 ..	16.78	14.38	24.19	1.32	19.47	2.70
1943-44 ..	13.93	12.52	26.29	1.33	16.09	2.29
1944-45 ..	6.25	4.41	25.15	0.83	20.31	2.95
1945-46(b) ..	12.46	13.22	24.33	1.27	19.72	2.82

(a) Per acre of productive crop.

(b) Subject to revision.

AREA OF WHEAT.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1938-39 ..	4,650,872	2,748,362	442,017	3,080,401	3,412,818	9,849	2,061	14,346,380
1941-42 ..	3,968,758	2,757,080	290,801	2,325,717	2,653,419	6,414	1,294	12,003,483
1942-43 ..	3,032,946	2,145,156	334,785	2,009,027	1,753,178	4,128	1,125	9,280,345
1943-44 ..	2,693,302	1,793,428	281,302	1,533,816	1,567,016	4,839	1,418	7,875,121
1944-45 ..	2,844,804	2,141,729	332,365	1,623,145	1,515,762	3,832	1,514	8,463,151
1945-46(a) ..	3,773,901	3,251,393	392,502	2,165,004	1,835,780	4,982	1,822	11,425,384

TOTAL PRODUCTION OF WHEAT.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1938-39 ..	59,898,000	18,104,369	8,583,736	31,674,418	36,843,600	205,263	59,235	155,368,621
1941-42 ..	48,500,000	46,953,840	3,079,898	30,511,112	37,500,000	145,191	22,824	166,712,865
1942-43 ..	51,693,045	41,803,107	5,005,065	36,525,459	20,600,000	73,320	27,987	155,727,983
1943-44 ..	47,500,000	19,733,322	5,084,292	20,690,471	16,550,000	122,141	39,351	109,719,577
1944-45 ..	17,133,870	3,497,677	6,980,766	9,244,211	15,928,774	92,650	1,854	52,879,802
1945-46(a) ..	62,520,000	29,633,760	8,187,687	21,033,841	20,929,000	66,637	38,631	142,409,556

(a) Subject to revision.

Principal Crops—Australia—continued.

AVERAGE YIELD OF WHEAT PER ACRE.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	A.C.T.	Australia.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1938-39	12.88	6.59	19.42	10.28	10.79	20.84	28.74	10.83
1941-42	12.22	17.03	10.59	13.12	14.13	22.64	17.64	13.89
1942-43	17.04	19.49	14.95	18.18	11.75	17.76	24.88	16.78
1943-44	17.64	11.00	18.07	13.49	10.56	25.24	27.75	13.93
1944-45	6.02	1.63	21.00	5.70	10.51	24.18	1.22	6.25
1945-46a	16.57	9.11	20.86	9.72	11.40	13.38	21.20	12.46

(a) Subject to revision.

NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVE STOCK.

Mar.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land. (a)	S. Aust. (a)	W. Aust. (a)	Tasmania. (a)	N. Terr. (a)	A.C.T.	Australia.
HORSES.									
1939	531,355	343,828	444,521	195,834	143,674	30,458	33,191	1,195	1,724,056
1941	531,776	318,441	441,770	182,206	130,057	29,406	30,716	1,244	1,665,616
1942	525,697	302,401	431,363	171,092	124,402	(b) 28,612	26,209	1,283	1,611,059
1943c	483,277	292,534	392,639	164,855	112,782	27,077	a 43,663	1,143	1,517,970
1944c	465,672	277,662	387,018	154,102	106,743	26,317	a 30,534	1,151	1,449,199
1945c	436,443	253,782	380,670	133,003	96,528	25,885	a 31,803	1,091	1,359,205
1946c	403,645	232,473	367,357	115,949	88,180	24,863	a 31,883	1,048	1,265,398

CATTLE.

1939	2,811,884	1,697,295	6,097,089	318,897	767,680	262,407	899,472	7,057	12,861,781
1941	2,769,061	1,922,336	6,210,810	376,654	788,928	259,108	922,308	6,636	13,255,841
1942	2,878,450	1,986,544	6,303,467	399,143	839,731	(b) 253,106	892,881	7,432	13,560,754
1943c	3,030,546	2,022,892	6,466,316	424,253	831,231	244,681	a 978,434	6,967	14,005,320
1944c	3,143,378	2,013,033	6,524,553	414,997	870,939	230,127	a 978,569	8,083	14,183,679
1945c	3,144,701	1,903,110	6,623,112	391,323	852,563	224,668	a 984,370	9,320	14,133,167
1946c	3,116,834	1,827,087	6,538,067	374,096	833,567	216,306	a 960,039	7,867	13,873,863

SHEEP.

1939	48,876,663	17,007,352	23,158,569	9,936,586	9,177,531	2,625,690	29,901	245,540	111,057,832
1941	55,568,000	20,412,362	23,936,099	10,263,423	9,516,272	2,682,375	33,703	281,791	122,694,025
1942	56,737,000	20,598,201	25,196,245	10,245,894	9,722,780	2,398,201	28,245	262,563	125,189,129
1943c	56,043,598	19,614,040	25,650,231	10,370,565	10,424,385	2,226,906	a 34,603	250,344	124,614,672
1944c	56,837,300	19,220,457	23,255,584	10,359,669	11,012,936	2,187,799	a 25,575	274,642	123,178,962
1945c	46,662,000	16,457,101	21,292,120	8,473,939	10,049,587	2,156,071	a 29,269	250,778	103,370,865
1946c	44,076,000	14,655,277	18,943,762	6,786,538	9,765,983	1,925,604	a 18,561	224,680	96,396,405

PIGS.

1939	377,344	252,462	325,326	71,292	82,922	45,317	355	573	1,155,591
1941	507,738	397,945	435,966	190,068	217,910	46,713	407	593	1,797,340
1942c	454,102	285,227	424,458	119,765	147,960	(b) 44,519	(a) 418	854	1,477,694
1943c	486,960	307,929	409,348	156,243	151,958	49,251	(a) 532	779	1,563,000
1944c	561,294	337,878	450,391	186,007	163,876	46,427	(a) 191	657	1,746,721
1945c	523,917	296,232	438,088	160,875	163,993	46,915	(a) 146	689	1,630,855
1946c	432,412	271,887	415,411	119,986	137,872	46,915	(a) 407	619	1,425,509

(a) December, previous year.

(b) As at March.

(c) As at 31st March; 1946 figures subject to revision.

WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE) PRODUCED.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust. (a)	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr. (b)	A.C.T.	Australia.
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.
1937-38..	495,027	178,890	a 174,751	86,606	70,685	15,599	35	1,797	1,023,390
1938-39..	437,141	165,829	a 179,459	102,888	78,802	17,519	35	1,909	983,582
1939-40..	546,273	179,126	a 195,770	105,266	80,657	18,354	35	2,233	1,127,694
1940-41..	536,908	187,831	a 214,704	106,647	76,170	17,078	308	2,128	1,141,774
1941-42..	547,000	212,919	204,119	105,124	78,500	16,985	308	2,203	1,167,153
1942-43..	497,538	212,325	213,966	108,637	99,231	17,256	308	1,905	1,151,166
1943-44..	537,410	196,415	194,355	115,464	105,226	17,825	308	1,913	1,169,016
1944-45..	448,683	177,143	178,719	106,708	86,841	17,378	308	1,763	1,017,543

(a) For year ended previous 31st December.

(b) Estimated.

PRINCIPAL DAIRY PRODUCE.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
BUTTER.								
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1938-39 ..	53,045	58,291	70,369	9,249	7,254	5,284	8	203,500
1940-41 ..	48,466	69,797	53,544	9,545	6,802	4,729	10	192,893
1941-42 ..	39,831	62,864	43,582	9,133	7,612	4,602	7	167,631
1942-43 ..	43,873	56,105	50,541	9,180	7,027	4,505	6	171,237
1943-44 ..	41,231	49,538	45,996	8,841	6,573	3,799	4	156,282
1944-45 ..	34,028	47,195	43,006	7,700	5,940	4,091	3	141,963
1945-46(a) ..	35,154	50,539	45,787	8,532	5,926	4,253	3	150,194

CHEESE.

	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1938-39 ..	3,343	8,729	7,039	8,239	436	1,518	..	29,304
1940-41 ..	2,888	8,204	5,239	8,673	428	1,357	..	26,789
1941-42 ..	2,348	10,054	7,304	8,439	586	1,412	..	30,143
1942-43 ..	2,350	11,280	12,741	8,000	731	1,032	..	36,134
1943-44 ..	2,467	11,902	10,737	8,806	802	1,111	..	35,825
1944-45 ..	2,005	12,260	10,104	8,244	826	1,181	..	34,620
1945-46(a) ..	2,222	15,086	11,748	10,066	820	1,171	..	41,113

BACON AND HAM.

	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1938-39 ..	11,794	7,370	8,492	2,673	1,894	1,015	..	33,238
1940-41 ..	14,091	8,946	10,299	3,345	2,304	913	..	39,899
1941-42 ..	15,293	8,602	10,923	3,942	2,766	937	1	42,464
1942-43 ..	15,082	8,855	13,057	4,428	4,142	1,238	..	46,802
1943-44 ..	13,913	9,687	11,958	4,605	4,358	1,202	..	45,723
1944-45 ..	20,148	12,103	13,298	4,544	5,007	1,190	..	56,290
1945-46(a) ..	16,901	8,534	11,156	5,216	4,888	1,266	..	47,931

(a) Subject to revision

QUANTITIES OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Gold.	Black Coal.	Pig-iron. (a)	Metallic Contents of Ores and Concentrates Produced.(b)				
				Copper.	Lead.	Silver.	Tin.	Zinc.
	Fine oz.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Oz.	Tons.	Tons.
1939 ..	1,645,697	13,535,142	1,104,605	20,560	280,003	15,320,116	3,067	217,256
1940 ..	1,643,999	11,725,683	1,212,006	19,720	287,729	15,871,976	3,501	242,729
1941 ..	1,496,698	14,212,451	1,475,707	20,859	289,436	15,412,581	3,494	248,844
1942 ..	1,153,787	14,903,489	1,557,641	20,402	263,183	14,241,811	2,931	221,834
1943 ..	751,279	14,192,942	1,399,306	24,326	206,376	10,329,830	2,635	182,841
1944 ..	656,867	13,756,089	1,305,357	28,056	189,455	9,365,526	2,547	174,358
1945 ..	657,212	12,853,821	1,117,709	24,520	164,741	8,076,740	2,282	150,313
1946(d)								
(6 mths.)	340,000	6,319,397	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)

(a) Year ended June. (b) Source : Australian Mines and Metals Association. (c) Not yet available. (d) Subject to revision.

VALUE(a) OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr.	Australia.
GOLD.								
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1939 ..	848,985	1,533,899	1,428,598	38,895	11,796,085	192,596	163,414	16,002,472
1941 ..	941,244	1,600,016	1,164,621	17,908	11,852,452	212,710	201,599	15,990,550
1942 ..	807,436	1,060,910	994,214	13,930	8,865,806	191,835	126,035	12,060,166
1943 ..	666,491	590,541	656,657	5,423	5,710,663	180,209	40,880	7,850,864
1944 ..	657,163	568,305	538,176	5,662	4,899,384	174,888	57,803	6,901,381
1945 ..	461,303	661,430	676,712	2,970	5,012,225	139,573	76,800	7,031,013

SILVER AND LEAD.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1939 ..	3,546,440	726	1,010,856	61	32,890	291,980	..	4,882,953
1941 ..	4,456,973	2,410	1,324,349	837	37,648	433,643	..	6,255,860
1942 ..	4,168,421	2,227	1,034,550	477	23,916	358,966	..	5,588,557
1943 ..	3,752,672	2,278	230,837	62	16,475	333,058	..	4,335,382
1944 ..	4,068,935	1,280	14,733	309	15,807	313,618	..	4,414,682
1945 ..	4,625,665	1,622	17,788	601	22,757	259,560	..	4,927,993

(a) Except for gold, the values shown are those published by the Mines Departments of the several States. Gold is valued in Australian currency.

Value of Principal Minerals Produced—*continued.*

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr.	Aust.
COPPER.								
1939 ..	£ 105,407	£ ..	£ 289,927	£ 6,612	£ 1,373	£ 668,561	£ 2,248	£ 1,074,128
1941 ..	117,490	..	620,996	41,390	154	721,985	3,185	1,505,200
1942 ..	277,376	..	625,375	31,715	738	730,675	..	1,665,879
1943 ..	379,800	..	1,111,049	10,100	33	691,199	2,393	2,194,574
1944 ..	309,900	..	1,644,747	12,115	367	633,188	1,878	2,602,195
1945 ..	305,000	..	1,500,662	11,674	364	463,294	3,811	2,284,805

TIN.

1939 ..	366,138	47,233	200,652	..	3,871	282,798	4,487	905,179
1941 ..	443,123	19,669	204,232	..	1,874	328,340	4,041	1,001,179
1942 ..	417,210	19,173	150,454	..	4,634	297,919	6,627	896,017
1943 ..	403,320	14,162	167,176	10	2,315	246,218	5,594	838,795
1944 ..	309,860	12,835	275,185	..	2,351	235,612	2,086	837,929
1945 ..	291,788	9,869	207,948	..	4,370	240,369	5,026	759,370

COAL (Black and Brown).

1939 ..	6,768,659	645,766	1,167,844	..	362,811	74,460	..	9,019,540
1941 ..	8,265,881	726,754	1,404,646	..	389,278	85,311	..	10,871,870
1942 ..	9,472,363	880,806	1,693,231	1,650	461,495	108,241	..	12,622,786
1943 ..	9,290,095	958,024	1,824,591	..	489,721	117,361	..	12,679,792
1944 ..	9,206,063	974,237	1,785,621	12,117	583,076	122,673	..	12,683,787
1945 ..	8,694,168	1,135,759	1,759,311	14,508	572,896	125,719	..	12,302,361

ALL MINERALS.

1939 ..	12,123,751	2,248,169	4,556,962	3,320,181	12,288,532	2,056,741	244,478	36,838,814
1941 ..	15,073,833	2,371,568	5,300,600	3,187,093	12,399,351	2,650,271	274,172	41,256,888
1942 ..	16,258,694	1,980,972	5,023,495	3,012,973	9,487,562	2,494,119	204,366	38,462,181
1943 ..	15,968,578	1,593,994	4,214,525	3,070,716	6,383,755	2,378,533	130,795	33,740,896
1944 ..	16,158,800	1,602,105	4,477,087	2,926,666	5,667,497	2,220,136	126,025	33,178,316
1945(a)	16,013,502	1,830,374	4,355,127	2,225,334	5,804,238	1,934,066	178,097	32,340,738

(a) Subject to revision.

ESTIMATED NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA.

(RECORDED INDUSTRIES.)

NOTE.—Depreciation and Maintenance Costs have not been deducted.

Industry.	1938-39.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Agricultural ..	41,679	41,571	62,133	77,093	78,437	71,689
Pastoral ..	63,821	83,952	85,358	101,014	108,406	98,374
Dairying ..	33,782	35,706	34,344	42,244	44,823	46,183
Poultry ..	7,302	6,264	6,497	10,724	12,884	14,383
Bee-farming ..	123	309	408	323	393	517
Total Rural ..	146,707	167,802	188,740	231,398	244,943	231,146
Trapping ..	1,422	3,720	5,046	3,550	6,684	6,207
Forestry ..	7,780	9,196	10,051	10,590	11,224	11,259
Fisheries ..	1,655	1,668	1,773	1,930	1,968	2,235
Mines and Quarries ..	27,375	32,365	33,410	30,767	27,459	26,831
Total Non-Rural ..	38,232	46,949	50,280	46,837	47,335	46,532
Total All Primary	184,939	214,751	239,020	278,235	292,278	277,678
Factories ..	203,416	257,914	316,438	352,001	366,236	362,284
Total All Industries	388,355	472,665	555,458	630,236	658,514	639,962

Estimated Net Value of Production—Australia—continued.

PER HEAD OF MEAN POPULATION.

Industry.	1938-39.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Agricultural ..	6 0 4	5 17 8	8 14 2	10 14 4	10 16 2	9 15 6
Pastoral ..	9 4 3	11 17 7	11 19 4	14 0 11	14 18 8	13 8 3
Dairying ..	4 17 6	5 1 1	4 16 4	5 17 6	6 3 6	6 5 11
Poultry ..	1 1 1	0 17 9	0 18 2	1 9 10	1 15 6	1 19 3
Bee-farming ..	0 0 4	0 0 10	0 1 2	0 0 11	0 1 1	0 1 5
Total Rural ..	21 3 6	23 14 11	26 9 2	32 3 6	33 14 11	31 10 4
Trapping ..	0 4 1	0 10 6	0 14 2	0 9 10	0 18 5	0 16 11
Forestry ..	1 2 6	1 6 0	1 8 2	1 9 6	1 10 11	1 10 9
Fisheries ..	0 4 9	0 4 9	0 5 0	0 5 4	0 5 5	0 6 1
Mines and Quarries ..	3 19 0	4 11 7	4 13 8	4 5 7	3 15 8	3 13 2
Total Non-Rural ..	5 10 4	6 12 10	7 1 0	6 10 3	6 10 5	6 6 11
Total All Primary	26 13 10	30 7 9	33 10 2	38 13 9	40 5 4	37 17 3
Factories ..	29 7 3	36 9 10	44 7 2	48 18 10	50 9 3	49 8 0
Total All Industries	56 1 1	66 17 7	77 17 4	87 12 7	90 14 7	87 5 3

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	No. of Establishments.	Hands Employed. (a)	Salaries and Wages Paid. (b)	Value of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings.	Value of Materials Used.	Value of Production.	Value of Output.
	No.	No.	£	£	£	£	£
1938-39	26,941	565,106	106,743,062	274,582,541	281,303,446	203,416,610	500,419,977
1940-41	27,300	650,073	137,919,068	305,449,890	367,157,852	257,914,349	644,794,908
1941-42	26,971	725,342	180,052,212	325,512,892	433,160,480	316,439,028	773,053,971
1942-43	26,414	759,045	208,866,843	344,559,273	472,720,078	352,002,056	850,348,656
1943-44	27,674	766,506	216,873,819	358,139,374	498,923,060	366,235,487	891,739,216
1944-45	28,930	750,579	207,651,800	366,497,167	496,888,671	362,283,355	886,004,777

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—STATE DETAILS.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1938-39.							
1. Factories .. No.	9,464	9,250	3,087	2,067	2,129	944	26,941
2. Hands employed(a) ..	228,781	201,831	54,110	43,371	23,211	13,802	565,106
3. Wages paid(b) .. £	44,606,497	36,026,542	10,887,229	8,169,350	4,573,558	2,479,886	106,743,062
4. Value of fuel, &c., used £	7,651,627	3,999,934	1,423,549	1,017,537	1,169,268	438,006	15,699,921
5. " materials used £	120,501,795	82,971,608	42,596,049	20,308,797	9,603,657	5,321,540	281,303,446
6. " production .. £	90,265,891	65,996,069	19,301,475	13,678,930	8,775,586	5,398,659	203,416,610
7. " output of fact's. £	218,419,313	152,967,611	63,321,073	35,005,264	19,548,511	11,158,205	500,419,977
8. " land & buildings £	57,353,625	42,026,245	12,299,089	8,710,700	6,813,653	3,717,102	130,920,414
9. " plant & mchnry. £	62,692,956	38,626,743	18,095,415	9,749,679	8,095,064	6,402,270	143,662,127
1942-43.							
1. Factories .. No.	10,110	8,738	2,641	2,134	1,799	992	26,414
2. Hands employed(a) ..	315,524	262,358	64,292	72,748	25,813	18,310	759,045
3. Wages paid(b) .. £	88,900,826	73,035,253	16,737,545	19,243,290	6,477,113	4,472,816	208,866,843
4. Value of fuel, &c., used £	12,307,663	6,514,447	2,105,774	2,469,301	1,437,624	791,713	25,626,522
5. " materials used £	207,599,130	149,630,126	55,063,141	36,745,047	13,845,868	9,836,766	472,720,078
6. " production .. £	153,582,262	121,491,367	29,044,560	28,354,359	11,454,057	8,075,451	352,002,056
7. " output of fact's. £	373,489,055	277,635,940	86,213,475	67,568,707	26,737,549	18,703,930	850,348,656
8. " land & buildings £	72,622,902	52,642,052	13,159,140	17,473,537	6,770,121	4,926,195	167,593,947
9. " plant & mchnry. £	73,121,771	51,963,258	18,793,878	17,848,070	7,105,019	8,133,330	176,965,326

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

Manufacturing Industries—State Details—continued.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1943-44.							
1. Factories .. No.	10,755	9,317	2,652	2,149	1,807	994	27,674
2. Hands employed(a) ..	323,032	261,331	64,682	69,569	28,101	19,791	766,506
3. Wages paid(b) .. £	93,518,326	73,961,193	18,071,689	18,711,413	7,417,595	5,193,603	216,873,819
4. Value of fuel, &c., used £	12,808,040	6,826,742	2,162,113	2,436,049	1,503,344	844,381	26,580,669
5. „ materials used £	223,603,640	154,490,654	57,945,796	36,730,842	15,193,718	10,958,410	498,923,060
6. „ production .. £	162,726,010	123,330,518	30,210,528	23,411,486	12,511,526	9,045,419	366,235,487
7. „ output of fact's. £	399,137,690	284,647,914	90,318,437	67,578,377	29,208,588	20,848,210	891,739,216
8. „ land & buildings £	78,978,013	55,062,982	13,262,504	17,629,235	6,920,805	5,293,066	177,146,605
9. „ plant & mchnry. £	73,803,954	55,457,719	17,886,417	18,415,477	7,364,909	8,064,293	180,992,769

1944-45.

1. Factories .. No.	11,359	9,669	2,783	2,182	1,931	1,006	28,930
2. Hands employed(a) ..	314,678	257,637	64,135	65,472	29,146	19,511	750,579
3. Wages paid(b) .. £	89,243,041	70,560,011	17,979,827	17,246,148	7,614,243	5,008,530	207,651,800
4. Value of fuel, &c., used £	12,564,956	6,946,053	2,222,879	2,555,739	1,645,987	897,137	26,832,751
5. „ materials used £	215,219,002	158,098,951	59,593,548	35,284,903	17,134,744	11,557,523	496,888,671
6. „ production .. £	159,874,627	122,377,307	30,902,038	27,267,050	12,960,009	8,902,324	362,283,355
7. „ output of fact's. £	387,658,585	287,422,311	92,718,465	65,107,692	31,740,740	21,356,984	886,004,777
8. „ land & buildings £	81,058,876	57,808,861	13,689,055	16,877,449	7,654,187	5,491,679	182,580,107
9. „ plant & mchnry. £	73,039,252	58,571,064	18,134,011	17,955,288	8,254,231	7,963,214	183,917,060

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors. proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA.

Class of Industry.	1938-39.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£	£	£	£
I. Treatment of Non-metalliferous				
Mine and Quarry Products ..	5,146,151	5,043,168	4,758,486	4,734,190
II. Bricks, Pottery, Glass, &c. ..	5,571,757	4,841,965	4,528,864	4,781,511
III. Chemicals, Dyes, Explosives, Paints, Oils and Grease ..	12,456,370	29,111,775	25,928,424	23,516,420
IV. Industrial Metals, Machines, Implements and Conveyances ..	62,434,973	148,220,089	157,391,098	147,577,793
V. Precious Metals, Jewellery and Plate ..	931,085	931,516	1,020,772	1,044,031
VI. Textiles and Textile Goods ..	10,917,765	21,812,445	22,766,729	22,275,487
VII. Skins and Leather ..	3,182,881	5,473,293	5,885,080	5,737,305
VIII. Clothing ..	16,551,031	23,181,403	24,896,161	27,654,833
IX. Food, Drink and Tobacco ..	41,601,107	56,842,302	59,153,039	62,474,043
X. Woodworking and Basketware ..	9,460,742	13,427,479	14,684,261	15,062,688
XI. Furniture, Bedding, &c. ..	4,200,035	4,061,659	4,063,839	4,240,457
XII. Paper, Stationery, Printing, Book-binding, &c. ..	14,559,073	17,238,875	18,350,059	19,646,332
XIII. Rubber ..	2,761,075	3,647,766	3,862,931	3,850,470
XIV. Musical Instruments ..	136,432	153,484	155,806	183,277
XV. Miscellaneous Products ..	2,097,998	4,665,317	5,283,655	5,490,554
XVI. Heat, Light and Power ..	11,408,135	13,344,520	13,506,283	14,013,964
Total ..	203,416,610	352,002,056	366,235,487	362,283,355

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Percentage of Each Item of Outlay on Value of Total Output, 1944-45.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Wages(a) ..	23.02	24.55	19.39	26.49	23.99	23.45	23.44
Fuel, Light, &c. ..	3.24	2.42	2.40	3.93	5.19	4.20	3.03
Materials used ..	55.52	55.01	64.27	54.19	53.99	54.12	56.08
Margin for profits and miscellaneous expenses and charges ..	18.22	18.02	13.94	15.39	16.83	18.23	17.45
Total output	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Per cent. of Wages on value of Production ..	55.82	57.66	58.18	63.25	58.75	56.26	57.32

(a) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Amount of Salaries and Wages paid per Employee.(a)

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1938-39—Males ..	239.24	224.47	238.59	220.95	235.49	212.09	231.84
Females ..	103.66	108.25	96.00	86.44	99.58	93.19	103.92
1941-42—Males ..	309.85	308.76	274.06	292.68	276.88	253.09	301.86
Females ..	134.96	148.57	116.88	134.47	111.89	116.55	138.44
1942-43—Males ..	344.72	344.06	308.49	313.74	304.34	290.30	335.17
Females ..	157.29	173.10	129.55	157.27	131.70	137.19	160.59
1943-44—Males ..	352.15	349.02	326.70	314.99	316.28	310.15	342.68
Females ..	172.07	179.55	151.65	170.59	150.14	161.57	172.62
1944-45—Males ..	342.98	336.03	324.60	305.39	311.36	301.54	333.03
Females ..	169.83	175.27	153.12	164.86	142.91	157.09	169.44

(a) Excludes working proprietors and amounts drawn by them.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Number of Males and Females Employed over whole year, 1944-45.

Sex.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Males ..	223,770	174,424	51,483	49,056	22,404	14,756	535,893
Females ..	90,908	83,213	12,652	16,416	6,742	4,755	214,686
Masculinity(a) ..	246	210	407	299	332	310	250

(a) Number of males per 100 females.

Section III.—Shipping and Commerce.

OVERSEA SHIPPING(a).—NET TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED—AUSTRALIA.

(,000 omitted.)

Year.	Tonnage Entered.			Tonnage Cleared.		
	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.
1938-39 ..	5,964	747	6,711	5,990	845	6,835
1941-42 ..	4,641	533	5,174	4,490	1,104	5,594
1942-43 ..	3,547	277	3,824	3,473	816	4,289
1943-44 ..	3,604	880	4,484	4,360	843	5,203
1944-45 ..	3,887	597	4,484	3,587	1,062	4,649
1945-46 ..	4,484	713	5,197	3,990	1,409	5,399

(a) For 1941-42 and onward—excludes particulars of vessels exclusively engaged in the transport of troops, war equipment and supplies.

OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE TONNAGE OF CARGO(a).—Discharged and Shipped. (,000 omitted.)

NOTE.—Cargo recorded by measurement has been converted to tons measurement on the basis of 40 cubic feet = 1 ton. The figures in the measurement columns are not equivalent to those in the weight columns but are additional.

State or Territory.	Discharged.				Shipped.			
	Interstate.		Oversea.		Interstate.		Oversea.	
	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.
1944-45.								
New South Wales ..	2,817	667	1,620	1,075	3,298	420	972	711
Victoria ..	2,338	299	1,083	422	713	446	321	542
Queensland ..	516	368	743	173	406	165	369	409
South Australia ..	1,145	190	249	74	2,484	139	779	67
Western Australia ..	241	126	583	48	275	118	545	68
Tasmania ..	363	266	65	5	490	352	74	19
Northern Territory(b) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total 1944-45 ..	7,420	1,916	4,343	1,797	7,666	1,640	3,060	1,811
1945-46.								
New South Wales ..	2,154	442	1,625	1,004	2,831	316	930	631
Victoria ..	2,075	226	1,263	407	580	256	304	468
Queensland ..	236	271	687	133	392	156	403	161
South Australia ..	1,123	178	332	78	1,754	132	382	78
Western Australia ..	260	143	593	26	278	40	390	58
Tasmania ..	350	258	108	4	374	312	53	65
Northern Territory ..	3	4	..	..	6	1	..	9
Total 1945-46 ..	6,201	1,522	4,608	1,652	6,215	1,213	2,462	1,470
Total 1944-45 ..	7,420	1,916	4,343	1,797	7,666	1,640	3,060	1,811
" 1943-44 ..	7,215	1,965	4,138	1,781	7,517	1,722	3,355	1,702
" 1942-43 ..	6,925	2,023	3,654	1,424	7,603	1,808	2,380	1,257
" 1941-42 ..	7,582	2,150	3,750	1,757	8,100	1,903	2,858	1,300
" 1938-39 ..	7,074	2,003	4,208	2,191	7,221	1,731	5,138	1,093

(a) For 1941-42 onward excludes cargo from vessels exclusively engaged in the transport of troops, war equipment and supplies. (b) Port of Darwin closed.

OVERSEA SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT AT 30th SEPTEMBER, 1946.

These rates (except those marked with an asterisk) are subject to a "war-time risk" surcharge of 15 per cent.

(Expressed in sterling and subject to adjustment on account of exchange when freight prepaid in Australia—18 per cent. on refrigerated cargo rates and 25 per cent. on other cargo rates.)

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—

Butter (Refrigerator) ..	..	..	..	..	5s. 8d. per box (56 lb.)
Cheese (Refrigerator) ..	..	..	..	..	14d. per lb.
Eggs (in shell) ..	..	..	..	..	168s. per ton measurement.
Meats, Preserved by Cold Process (Refrigerator)—					
Beef ..	..	..	..	..	14d. per lb.
Lamb ..	..	..	..	..	14d. " " "
Mutton ..	..	..	..	..	14d. " " "
Rabbits and Hares ..	..	..	..	..	122s. per ton measurement.
Preserved in tins ..	..	..	..	..	107s. " " "
Sausage Casings (dried, in casks or cases) ..	..	..	..	..	107s. " " "
Milk and Cream (condensed) ..	..	..	..	..	107s. " " "

FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN—

*Sugar (Raw) ..	..	..	..	..	153s. per ton weight.
Jams ..	..	..	..	..	85s. per ton measurement.
Jellies ..	..	..	..	..	107s. " " "
Dried Fruits ..	..	..	..	..	85s. " " "
Fruits, Fresh—					
Apples (Refrigerator) ..	..	..	..	..	6s. per bushel case.
Oranges (bushel cases) ..	..	..	..	..	6s. " " "
Grain and Pulse, unprepared—					
*Wheat, Parcels, all States ..	..	..	..	..	115s. per ton weight
" " " Charter, Eastern States ..	..	..	..	..	120s. " " "
" " " Western Australia ..	..	..	..	..	110s. " " "
*Barley ..	..	..	..	..	150s. 9d. " " "
*Oats ..	..	..	..	..	160s. " " "
*Maize ..	..	..	..	..	149s. " " "
Grain and Pulse, prepared—					
*Flour, Wheaten ..	..	..	..	..	125s. " " "
*Bran ..	..	..	..	..	164s. " " "
*Pollard ..	..	..	..	..	155s. " " "
*Rice (clean, husked) ..	..	..	..	..	155s. " " "
WINE ..	..	..	..	..	107s. per ton measurement.

**Oversea Shipping Freight Rates from Australia to the United Kingdom and
Continent at 30th September, 1946—continued.**

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY MANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS—

Hides and Skins—			
Calf .. .. .	..	..	1d. per lb.
Sheep .. .. .	..	..	1d. " "
Rabbit .. .. .	..	..	2½d. " "
Other .. .. .	..	..	2½d. " "
Pearl-shell .. .. .	..	..	107s. per ton measurement.
Wool—			
Greasy .. .. .	..	..	1½d. per lb.
Tops .. .. .	..	..	2½d. " "

VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—

Compressed Fodder .. .. .	..	..	107s. per ton measurement.
*Bark, Tanning .. .. .	..	..	107s. per ton weight.
Copra .. .. .	..	..	104s. 3d. per ton measurement.
Sandalwood .. .. .	..	..	107s. " " "
Raw Cotton (in bales) .. .. .	..	..	1½d. per lb. " " "

APPAREL, TEXTILES, AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES—

Apparel and Attire .. .. .	..	..	107s. per ton measurement.
Binder Twine .. .. .	..	..	187s. per ton weight.

OILS, FATS AND WAXES—

Oils, Eucalyptus .. .. .	..	..	107s. per ton measurement.
Other .. .. .	..	..	120s. 3d. per ton weight.
Tallow, Unrefined .. .. .	..	..	120s. 3d. " " "
PAINTS AND VARNISHES .. .. .	..	..	107s. per ton measurement.

ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—

Ore (in casks) .. .. .	..	..	126s. per ton weight.
*Zinc, Ex Risdon .. .. .	..	..	65s. per ton weight.
*Other than above .. .. .	..	..	65s. per ton weight.
Dust (in casks) .. .. .	..	..	252s. " " "
Sheet (in casks) .. .. .	..	..	110s. " " "
*Copper .. .. .	..	..	90s. " " "
*Lead .. .. .	..	..	81s. " " "
*Steel, Billets (up to 20 ft.) .. .. .	..	..	111s. " " "
" (over 20 and up to 30 ft.) .. .. .	..	..	127s. " " "
Tyres .. .. .	..	..	94s. 6d. " " "
Tin Clippings in Ingot form .. .. .	..	..	36s. 6d. " " "

RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUBSTITUTES THEREOF—

Rubber .. .. .	..	..	96s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Leather .. .. .	..	..	234s. 3d. per ton weight.

WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—

Timber, Logs up to 40-ft. lengths .. .. .	..	..	40s. per 100 super. feet.
" over 40 and up to 50-ft. lengths .. .. .	..	..	43s. " " "
" over 50 and up to 60-ft. lengths .. .. .	..	..	46s. 3d. " " "
Sawn, Undressed, up to 80-ft. lengths .. .. .	..	..	23s. 6d. " " "

EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA AND GLASS

STATIONERY	107s. per ton measurement.
DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS—	107s. " " "

Fertilizers

Fertilizers	107s. " " "
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MISCELLANEOUS—

Soap	107s. " " "
Casein	168s. 8d. " " "
SPECIE	15s. per cent.

**INTERSTATE, NEW ZEALAND AND ISLANDS' SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES,
GENERAL CARGO, 30th SEPTEMBER, 1946.**

(Per Ton Weight or Measurement : 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)

To.	From—					
	Brisbane.		Sydney.		Melbourne.	
	Direct.	Trans-shipped.	Direct.	Trans-shipped at Wellington.	Direct.	Trans-shipped at Sydney.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Brisbane .. .. .	..	..	31 1	..	40 6	..
Sydney	31 1	..	..	..	29 8	..
Melbourne	40 6	..	29 8	..	..	..
Adelaide	51 4	..	40 6	..	29 8	..
Fremantle	62 5	72 5	55 11	..	49 5	..
Hobart	50 8	65 6	28 7	..	28 7	..
Launceston, Devonport, Burnie	44 2	51 2	28 7	..	26 0	..
Auckland .. .. .	..	..	46 6	..	46 6	83 8
Wellington .. .. .	..	..	47 6	..	47 6	84 8
Lyttleton .. .. .	..	..	46 6	83 0	46 6	83 8
Dunedin .. .. .	..	..	46 6	83 0	46 6	83 8
New Hebrides	* 60 0	..	60 0	..	..	..
Norfolk Island .. .. .	..	..	50 0	..	..	..
Papua	60 0	..	60 0	..	..	..
Territory of New Guinea	80 0	..	80 0	..	..	..

NOTE.—The table above includes the following "war-time risk" surcharges:—30 per cent. in respect of Fremantle, Hobart, Launceston, Devonport and Burnie; 35 per cent. in respect of the remaining ports, excepting New Zealand; 12½ per cent. on 38s. 6d. plus 7½ per cent. in respect of New Zealand ports, plus 35 per cent. on 22s. where trans-shipped at Sydney.

COMMERCE—VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA TRADE.

IMPORTS.

(BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.)

State or Territory.	1938-39.	1943-44.		1944-45.		1945-46.	
		Civil.	Total.	Civil.	Total.	Civil.	Total.
	£ stg. '000.	£ stg. '000.	£ stg. '000.	£ stg. '000.	£ stg. '000.	£ stg. '000.	£ stg. '000.
New South Wales ..	46,348	40,225	101,867	40,757	101,330	46,464	77,046
Victoria ..	35,455	27,713	90,252	27,767	64,769	35,389	54,068
Queensland ..	7,956	7,153	12,870	5,488	12,956	6,104	10,730
South Australia ..	5,851	3,812	4,781	4,055	4,656	5,669	8,774
Western Australia ..	5,384	2,881	3,408	3,701	4,042	4,566	4,838
Tasmania ..	1,133	639	1,046	700	730	1,113	1,155
Northern Territory ..	29	..	..	..	..	143	172
Total ..	102,156	82,423	214,224	82,468	188,483	99,448	156,783

EXPORTS.(a)

(AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.)

State or Territory.	1938-39.	1943-44.		1944-45.		1945-46.	
		Civil.	Total.	Civil.	Total.	Civil.	Total.
	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.
New South Wales ..	45,903	35,332	54,089	37,509	60,837	56,420	75,619
Victoria ..	30,819	30,860	36,547	35,539	40,071	42,165	74,907
Queensland ..	28,652	16,460	17,889	15,139	18,283	23,761	24,656
South Australia ..	14,841	11,432	15,585	14,088	19,167	17,611	18,868
Western Australia ..	17,070	8,964	11,423	8,191	12,382	17,547	18,333
Tasmania ..	3,198	1,082	1,149	2,465	2,531	3,669	3,721
Northern Territory ..	13	..	..	..	..	104	222
Estimated unrecorded ..	..	..	10,000	..	2,000	..	..
Total(b) ..	140,496	104,130	146,682	112,931	155,271	161,277	216,326

(a) In this table goods are shown against the State from which they were finally despatched.
 (b) Estimated British currency values are shown in the next table.

EXTERNAL TRADE—AUSTRALIA—VALUE, AND VALUE PER HEAD OF POPULATION.
(BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.)

Year.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.(a)			Value per Head of Population.				
			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.		
								Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.
	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£ s. d. stg.	£ s. d. stg.	£ s. d. stg.	£ s. d. stg.	£ s. d. stg.
1938-39..	214,357	102,156	108,188	4,013	112,201	31 4 7	14 17 8	15 15 3	0 11 8	16 6 11
1943-44..	331,335	214,224	113,790	3,321	117,111	45 12 0	29 9 8	15 13 2	0 9 2	16 2 4
1944-45..	312,452	188,483	121,042	2,927	123,969	42 11 2	25 13 5	16 9 9	0 8 0	16 17 9
1945-46..	329,540	156,783	169,108	3,649	172,757	44 9 3	21 3 1	22 16 4	0 9 10	23 6 2
1946-47 (three months)	105,059	40,372	63,920	767	64,687	..	..	..	..	..

(a) Excludes the value of Stores Shipped in Australian ports on board overseas ships. The value of Ships' Stores in Australian currency (£A'000) were—1938-39, £2,106; 1943-44, £8,479; 1944-45, £11,373; 1945-46, £6,332; and 1946-47 (three months), £1,195.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports.		
	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Mer- chandise. (a)	Specie and Bullion.	Total. (b)	Mer- chandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.
	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.
1938-39..	99,313	2,843	102,156	97,032	15,169	112,201	—	2,281	10,445
1943-44..	210,028	4,196	214,224	117,103	8	117,111	—	92,925	—
1944-45..	186,044	2,439	188,483	123,961	8	123,969	—	62,083	—
1945-46..	155,349	1,434	156,783	151,267	21,490	172,757	—	4,082	20,056
1946-47 (three months)	40,176	196	40,372	64,650	37	64,687	—	159	24,315

(a) The values in Australian currency (£A'000) were—1938-39, £121,533; 1943-44, £146,672; 1944-45, £155,262; 1945-46, £189,462; and 1946-47 (three months) £80,974. (b) The values in Australian currency are shown in the table above for the years 1938-39 and 1943-44 to 1945-46; 1946-47 (three months), £A.81,020,000.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.

Gross Revenue from Customs and Excise under the Sixteen Tariff Divisions and Total Net Revenue collected during the September quarters of 1945 and 1946, the years ended December, 1944 and 1945, and the financial years 1944-45 and 1945-46.

Division.	September Quarter.		Year ended December.		Financial Year.	
	1945.	1946.	1944.	1945.	1944-45.	1945-46.
	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
CUSTOMS.						
1. Ale, Spirits, and Beverages	130,042	163,166	470,640	517,131	506,558	592,924
2. Tobacco, and Manufactures thereof	1,397,030	1,990,086	5,777,630	5,556,585	5,725,003	5,844,428
3. Sugar .. ..	..	676	9	6	6	244
4. Agricultural Products and Groceries	197,461	244,685	644,072	827,835	789,549	947,130
5. Textiles, &c., and Attire	291,667	570,450	970,567	1,132,871	1,094,477	1,432,289
6. Metals and Machinery	233,629	454,682	1,046,344	851,701	880,057	1,186,095
7. Oils, Paints and Varnishes	2,285,739	3,974,636	8,149,487	9,588,380	8,526,729	12,156,586
8. Earthenware, &c.	63,653	81,288	120,061	192,912	152,116	288,594
9. Drugs and Chemicals	55,541	69,860	164,464	202,283	197,417	210,421
10. Wood, Wicker and Cane	76,869	120,199	189,282	281,890	250,278	335,100
11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods	84,665	159,138	349,395	410,993	355,004	563,867
12. Leather and Rubber	33,673	104,746	282,957	166,044	226,799	240,541
13. Paper and Stationery	18,448	41,606	63,927	73,751	68,467	96,744
14. Vehicles	11,483	609,402	28,555	34,550	29,144	250,240
15. Musical Instruments	487	2,681	573	1,411	527	3,584
16. Miscellaneous	291,867	262,986	498,668	1,178,922	763,659	1,390,766
Primage	643,271	1,205,125	2,380,579	2,455,795	2,330,884	3,332,588
Ships' Stores	8,009	17,298	32,650	32,304	34,379	52,369
Other Miscellaneous Receipts	29,808	45,997	122,140	132,578	128,960	144,034
Total Customs	5,853,342	10,118,707	21,292,000	23,637,942	22,060,013	29,068,544
EXCISE.						
Beer	5,234,773	6,193,156	21,829,506	21,579,193	21,674,224	22,841,010
Carbonic Acid Gas	70,226	74,880	319,519	315,955	321,079	339,736
Cigarette Papers	179,580	204,955	854,573	720,446	799,126	686,369
Matches	304,932	354,382	1,143,398	1,172,231	1,195,737	1,150,641
Petrol	40,248	170,617	289,293	326,808	325,389	318,977
Playing Cards	7,663	12,881	44,868	34,383	43,918	37,289
Spirits	1,276,169	1,875,435	5,474,020	5,830,289	5,498,031	7,285,844
Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff	4,003,348	4,843,973	16,869,617	15,899,193	16,001,124	16,508,449
Other Excise, including Licences, &c.	110,761	133,724	252,821	345,194	252,242	420,070
Total Excise	11,227,700	13,864,003	47,077,615	46,223,692	46,110,870	49,588,385
Total Gross Customs and Excise Collections	17,081,042	23,982,710	68,369,615	69,861,634	68,170,883	78,656,929
Refunds and Drawback paid	462,798	548,124	1,811,546	1,817,971	1,684,272	1,738,023
TOTAL NET REVENUE	16,618,244	23,434,586	66,558,069	68,043,663	66,486,611	76,918,906

**IMPORTS INTO AUSTRALIA OF THE PRODUCE OR MANUFACTURE OF THE UNDERMENTIONED COUNTRIES DURING THE
YEAR ENDED JUNE, 1946. (VALUES IN BRITISH CURRENCY.)**

Classes of Goods.	United King- dom.	Canada.	Ceylon.	India.	New Zealand.	Palestine.	Union of South Africa.	Egypt.	Iran.	Sweden.	Switzer- land.	United States of America.	Total All Coun- tries.(a)
	£ Stg. '000.	£Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	168	81	..	1	380	..	..	..	..	..	..	188	827
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin ..	140	309	3,310	1,521	211	..	97	..	5	..	..	645	7,727
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	288	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	297
4. Tobacco and preparations thereof ..	15	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	4,262	4,683
5. Live animals ..	97	..	..	..	110	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	213
6. Animal substances (mainly un- manufactured) not food- stuffs ..	33	39	..	207	517	..	16	..	..	2	..	9	910
7. Vegetable substances and fibres ..	409	12	52	2,118	399	1	320	261	13	3	75	1,844	6,525
8. Manufactured fibres, textiles, and apparel ..	18,683	539	38	5,847	6	..	1	..	2	..	90	2,486	27,724
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	71	29	61	109	55	28	8	..	10,083	..	..	4,369	18,219
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	508	30	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	342	885
11. Rocks and minerals ..	62	97	19	11	11	..	85	46	4	1	..	693	1,387
12. Metals, metal manufactures, and machinery ..	19,524	1,972	..	6	42	1	3	..	..	214	78	18,454	40,564
13. Rubber and leather, and manufactures thereof ..	379	13	1,548	57	4	..	58	..	..	..	..	396	2,674
14. Wood and wicker, raw and manufactured ..	51	919	..	3	131	..	1	..	..	3	..	547	1,687
15. Earthenware, cements, china, glass, &c. ..	1,591	60	..	12	16	..	..	..	..	201	3	168	1,855
16. Pulp, paper and stationery ..	2,383	2,339	2	1	102	1	..	..	..	..	..	1,815	7,170
17. Fancy goods, jewellery and timepieces ..	382	65	2	16	74	33	132	..	1	1	439	53	1,261
18. Optical, surgical, and scientific instruments ..	804	200	..	1	7	16	..	..	..	2	2	1,025	2,057
19. Drugs, chemicals and fertilizers ..	2,807	197	19	63	17	151	10	381	..	15	37	1,123	6,211
20. Miscellaneous ..	10,423	35	5	63	167	2	26	2	..	7	20	2,925	19,965
21. Gold and silver; and bronze specie ..	..	..	..	..	921	..	..	..	..	..	..	495	1,434
Total ..	58,827	6,942	5,056	10,037	3,170	233	762	690	10,108	449	744	41,846	(b)154,275

(a) Excludes outside packages, £Stg. 2,508,000.

(b) Estimated value in Australian currency £A. 193,230,000.

EXPORTS FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNDERMENTIONED COUNTRIES DURING THE YEAR ENDED JUNE, 1946.
(VALUES IN AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY.)

Classes of Goods.	United Kingdom.	Canada.	Ceylon.	India.	Malaya. (British.)	New Zealand.	Union of South Africa.	Belgium.	Egypt.	France.	Netherlands East Indies.	United States of America.	Total All Countries.
	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin..	18,948	77	2,084	3,065	832	155	167	1	1,229	1	239	133	32,892
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin	2,215	920	4,456	10,278	3,724	2,525	503	91	273	175	316	137	37,401
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors	419	142	58	126	151	129	22	..	27	..	119	4	2,014
4. Tobacco and preparations thereof..	..	..	38	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	33	..	739
5. Live animals .. ..	..	..	14	37	23	19	7	..	..	..	..	12	124
6. Animal substances (mainly unmanufactured) not food-stuffs ..	21,872	2,408	..	1,475	..	34	9	4,991	421	8,315	..	32,126	75,763
7. Vegetable substances and fibres ..	554	1	1	1	4	136	38	2	..	..	..	212	1,014
8. Manufactured fibres, textiles, and apparel ..	917	85	51	600	409	738	266	20	776	31	82	545	7,132
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	163	41	23	158	39	160	19	19	5	10	270	52	2,423
10. Pigments, paints and varnishes	..	..	1	2	8	81	..	..	..	..	1	..	151
11. Rocks and minerals ..	1,033	1	..	19	3	63	3	208	..	2	..	387	1,996
12. Metals, metal manufactures, and machinery ..	3,653	14	89	2,021	533	1,812	512	459	38	744	61	866	14,645
13. Rubber and leather, and manufactures thereof ..	443	7	9	24	46	492	55	..	31	2	1	24	1,540
14. Wood and wicker, raw and manufactured ..	198	11	18	2	8	299	80	..	1	40	2	14	907
15. Earthenware, cements, china, glass, &c. ..	2	..	3	6	35	165	..	..	..	..	3	1	445
16. Pulp, paper and stationery..	23	4	4	7	90	221	20	..	20	1	15	10	585
17. Fancy goods, jewellery, and timepieces ..	28	2	5	5	27	30	31	..	4	..	12	12	244
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments	63	..	..	29	28	159	5	..	2	..	16	14	645
19. Drugs, chemicals and fertilizers	124	75	71	120	363	484	57	4	112	3	56	306	2,999
20. Miscellaneous ..	329	8	24	109	187	322	12	..	50	7	168	108	5,803
21. Gold and silver; and bronze specie ..	26,413	..	1	..	..	9	..	..	19	..	414	..	26,864
Total ..	77,397	3,796	6,950	18,084	6,514	8,033	1,806	5,795	3,008	9,331	1,808	34,963	(a) 216,326

(a) Estimated value in British currency £Stg. 172,757,000.

EXPORTS OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES FROM AUSTRALIA IN EACH MONTH—EXPORT PRICE. (a)

Item.	Unit of Quantity.	Year.	July.	August.	Septem-ber.	October.	Novem-ber.	Decem-ber.	January.	Febru-ary.	March.	April.	May.	June.	Average for Year.(b)
Wool, Greasy (c)	lb.	1945-46 1946-47	s. d. 1 7.0 1 7.3	s. d. 1 7.0 1 8.5	s. d. 1 7.0 1 7.2	s. d. 1 7.0 ..	s. d. 1 7.0 ..	s. d. 1 7.0 ..	s. d. 1 7.0 ..	s. d. 1 7.0 ..	s. d. 1 7.0 ..	s. d. 1 7.0 ..	s. d. 1 7.0 ..	s. d. 1 7.0 ..	s. d. 1 7.0 ..
Wool, Scoured (d)	lb.	1945-46 1946-47	1 10.3 2 7.1	2 4.5 2 7.8	2 4.0 2 10.8	2 4.7 ..	2 4.7 ..	2 3.4 ..	2 7.7 ..	2 3.1 ..	2 4.3 ..	2 9.2 ..	2 9.4 ..	2 7.3 ..	2 5.1 ..
Sheepskins (with wool)	No.	1945-46 1946-47	4 2.6 5 5.4	5 2.2 6 10.7	5 3.8 6 1.4	4 1.6 ..	4 5.6 ..	4 10.6 ..	3 8.3 ..	3 0.2 ..	4 0.3 ..	4 10.6 ..	5 4.5 ..	4 10.1 ..	4 7.8 ..
Wheat	bushel	1945-46 1946-47	7 0.5 10 3.9	.. 10 0.5	9 0.9 10 6.4	8 0.9 ..	9 7.2 ..	9 8.5 ..	.. ..	9 8.8 ..	9 7.6 ..	10 1.6 ..	10 0.1 ..	10 0.1 ..	9 11.6 ..
Flour	cental.	1945-46 1946-47	14 1.2 23 6.3	14 10.2 25 0.0	17 8.1 26 1.1	17 3.2 ..	20 9.0 ..	21 10.5 ..	22 9.7 ..	22 8.3 ..	22 8.1 ..	22 7.4 ..	22 9.2 ..	22 10.7 ..	21 10.2 ..
Butter (c)	lb.	1945-46 1946-47	1 9.9 1 4.6	1 9.4 1 5.1	1 8.9 1 6.9	1 9.6 ..	1 9.4 ..	1 9.3 ..	1 9.2 ..	1 9.3 ..	1 9.5 ..	1 9.4 ..	1 9.2 ..	1 9.6 ..	1 9.4 ..
Raisins	lb.	1945-46 1946-47	0 5.1 0 5.6	0 6.8 0 6.3	0 5.5 0 5.9	0 5.9 ..	0 5.8 ..	0 6.3 ..	0 5.7 ..	0 8.9 ..	0 7.3 ..	0 4.9 ..	0 5.5 ..	0 5.6 ..	0 5.5 ..
Wine (e)	gal.	1945-46 1946-47	7 7.6 8 5.4	7 5.0 7 0.9	7 10.2 7 9.2	7 7.5 ..	7 9.5 ..	9 10.4 ..	7 5.7 ..	7 9.2 ..	6 7.5 ..	8 10.1 ..	7 4.3 ..	7 3.4 ..	7 8.4 ..
Beef (Frozen)	lb.	1945-46 1946-47	0 6.2 0 7.9	0 5.5 0 5.5	0 6.0 0 5.6	0 6.0 ..	0 5.7 ..	0 5.6 ..	0 7.8 ..	0 6.8 ..	0 6.5 ..	0 6.8 ..	0 6.0 ..	0 6.9 ..	0 6.1 ..
Lamb	lb.	1945-46 1946-47	0 7.3 0 7.4	0 7.2 0 7.2	0 11.7 0 7.2	0 6.9 ..	0 7.1 ..	0 7.0 ..	0 6.9 ..	0 7.5 ..	0 7.5 ..	0 7.7 ..	0 7.6 ..	0 7.6 ..	0 7.2 ..
Mutton	lb.	1945-46 1946-47	0 5.2 0 4.6	0 4.2 0 3.7	0 5.1 0 4.2	0 5.5 ..	0 5.1 ..	0 5.1 ..	0 5.4 ..	0 4.5 ..	0 5.1 ..	0 4.3 ..	0 4.5 ..	0 4.1 ..	0 4.9 ..
Tallow (Inedible)	cwt.	1945-46 1946-47	£ s. d. 2 1 10 3 1 4	£ s. d. 1 12 9 2 0 10	£ s. d. 1 10 2 2 0 0	£ s. d. 2 5 7 2 4 7	£ s. d. 2 4 7 2 13 8	£ s. d. 2 13 8 3 0 5	£ s. d. 3 0 5 2 10 5	£ s. d. 2 10 5 3 10 3	£ s. d. 3 10 3 3 1 4	£ s. d. 3 1 4 2 5 6	£ s. d. 2 5 6 3 10 10	£ s. d. 3 10 10 2 2 9	£ s. d. 2 2 9 ..
Lead (Pig)	cwt.	1945-46 1946-47	1 15 1 2 18 1	1 14 10 2 12 10	1 16 2 2 19 8	1 17 10 ..	1 17 3 ..	1 17 10 ..	1 18 1 ..	1 18 3 ..	1 15 5 ..	2 5 10 ..	1 19 9 ..	2 9 7 ..	1 19 0 ..
Zinc Bars	cwt.	1945-46 1946-47	1 19 2 2 13 6	1 14 8 2 0 1	2 4 2 2 17 5	2 4 0 ..	2 1 6 ..	2 3 4 ..	1 16 6 ..	2 6 8 ..	2 10 7 ..	2 18 8 ..	2 12 2 ..	2 11 7 ..	2 4 10 ..
Sugar, Raw	ton	1945-46 1946-47	17 14 9 21 17 9	18 10 4 22 0 10	18 10 0 23 18 6	18 6 4 ..	18 12 7 ..	18 10 0 ..	20 7 11 ..	21 10 7 ..	.. ..	20 16 3 ..	21 9 11 ..	21 8 7 ..	19 5 8 ..

(a) Values in Australian currency.

(b) Average price of total exports for the year.

(c) Prices revised for 1945-46.

(d) Includes noils, tops and waste

(e) In bulk over 27 per cent. proof.

EXPORTS OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES FROM AUSTRALIA IN EACH MONTH—QUANTITIES.

Item.	Unit of Quantity.	Year.	July.	August.	Septem-ber.	October.	Novem-ber.	Decem-ber.	January.	Febru-ary.	March.	April.	May.	June.	Total for Year.
Wool, Greasy ..	'000 lb.	{ 1945-46 1946-47	57,604 96,418	44,663 102,503	44,147 98,420	30,039 ..	58,777 ..	60,025 ..	63,422 ..	82,814 ..	70,783 ..	49,610 ..	66,338 ..	84,220 ..	712,442 ..
Wool, Scoured, Tops, &c.	'000 lb.	{ 1945-46 1946-47	10,711 13,718	7,798 18,141	6,745 17,109	4,105 ..	9,155 ..	3,120 ..	7,811 ..	9,154 ..	7,498 ..	5,156 ..	11,976 ..	11,426 ..	94,655 ..
Sheepskins (with wool)	'000 No.	{ 1945-46 1946-47	4,111 1,120	599 1,182	295 2,898	701 ..	1,076 ..	348 ..	2,153 ..	768 ..	1,481 ..	3,280 ..	2,021 ..	1,946 ..	18,779 ..
Wheat ..	'000 bus.	{ 1945-46 1946-47	37 1,605	.. 2,909	93 1,467	1 ..	.. ..	243 ..	.. ..	810 ..	1,687 ..	3,613 ..	3,253 ..	3,057 ..	12,794 ..
Flour ..	'000cental	{ 1945-46 1946-47	450 1,211	184 2,481	298 1,104	155 ..	402 ..	585 ..	973 ..	1,198 ..	1,393 ..	1,422 ..	1,105 ..	2,213 ..	10,378 ..
Butter ..	'000 lb.	{ 1945-46 1946-47	6,676 9,846	3,679 8,191	5,319 10,338	10,537 ..	13,399 ..	15,710 ..	15,881 ..	15,622 ..	11,523 ..	15,695 ..	13,350 ..	10,179 ..	137,570 ..
Raisins ..	'000 lb.	{ 1945-46 1946-47	5,186 26,093	2,543 4,472	2,595 6,534	1,388 ..	3,387 ..	1,425 ..	415 ..	124 ..	70 ..	9,647 ..	26,715 ..	13,752 ..	67,247 ..
Wines (all kinds)	'000 gal.	{ 1945-46 1946-47	176 191	180 363	79 292	130 ..	216 ..	40 ..	154 ..	219 ..	87 ..	157 ..	258 ..	68 ..	1,764 ..
Beef, Frozen ..	'000 lb.	{ 1945-46 1946-47	17,104 3,157	17,141 18,294	4,692 27,534	5,863 ..	17,377 ..	8,971 ..	4,147 ..	4,320 ..	19,151 ..	5,986 ..	1,614 ..	4,425 ..	110,791 ..
Lamb ..	'000 lb.	{ 1945-46 1946-47	1,917 10,779	39 3,851	9 8,537	1,202 ..	4,990 ..	9,978 ..	5,831 ..	8,115 ..	873 ..	1,246 ..	2,614 ..	2,239 ..	39,053 ..
Mutton ..	'000 lb.	{ 1945-46 1946-47	674 5,825	2,504 8,051	1,672 8,972	2,356 ..	3,594 ..	1,370 ..	1,556 ..	764 ..	1,519 ..	683 ..	17 ..	984 ..	17,693 ..
Tallow (Inedible)	'000 cwt.	{ 1945-46 1946-47	38 2	29 4	8 12	17 ..	13 ..	6 ..	5 ..	3 ..	.. ..	8 ..	10 ..	5 ..	142 ..
Lead (Pig) ..	'000 cwt.	{ 1945-46 1946-47	220 142	150 399	79 191	355 ..	185 ..	188 ..	129 ..	28 ..	182 ..	178 ..	202 ..	194 ..	2,090 ..
Zinc Bars ..	'000 cwt.	{ 1945-46 1946-47	130 90	68 313	77 50	127 ..	50 ..	84 ..	210 ..	12 ..	36 ..	56 ..	108 ..	6 ..	964 ..
Sugar, Raw and Refined	'000 ton	{ 1945-46 1946-47	13 19	24 36	7 24	25 ..	21 ..	15 ..	5 ..	10 ..	1 ..	5 ..	16 ..	9 ..	151 ..

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED INTO AND EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

Compiled from information supplied by the Department of Trade and Customs.
(Subject to revision.)

IMPORTS (BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES).

Particulars.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1945.	1946.	1944-45.	1945-46.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
Fish—				
Preserved in Tins	180	31	644	351
Fresh, Smoked, Potted, &c.	43	78	117	162
Meats—				
Preserved in Tins	4	4	24	11
Potted or Concentrated	4	6	6	54
Sausage Casings	33	55	252	108
Other	1	11	..	1
Milk and Cream	1	2	28	6
Other Animal Foodstuffs	33	39	40	134
Total, Class I.	299	226	1,111	827
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN.				
Caramel, Paste and Butter	64	..	..	89
Cocoa and Chocolate	321	106	489	880
Coffee and Chicory	136	41	530	355
Confectionery .. .. .	..	2	3	9
Fruits—				
Dried, including Dates .. .. .	..	1	..	132
Fresh	1	..	1	3
Fruits and Vegetables, n.e.i., preserved in liquid	1	..	1	5
Ginger	18	7	30	61
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared	153	53	134	1,005
Prepared	2	2	10	15
Liquorice	19	16	31	38
Nuts, Edible	48	112	318	167
Pickles and Sauces .. .. .	..	..	4	..
Seeds—Canary, Hemp and Rape	33	20	110	72
Spices	36	113	162	195
Sugar and Sugar Products	6	7	15	16
Tea	893	1,298	3,692	4,546
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs	56	20	169	139
Total, Class II.	1,787	1,798	5,699	7,727
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS.				
Spirits (Beverages)—				
Brandy	1	..	..	1
Gin .. .. .	..	..	..	2
Whisky	60	77	339	292
Other including Liqueurs .. .. .	..	..	7	1
Wine—Fermented .. .. .	..	1	..	1
Total, Class III.	61	78	346	297

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Particulars.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1945.	1946.	1944-45.	1945-46.
	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.				
Cigars, Cigarettes .. .. .	..	18	2	10
Tobacco—				
Manufactured	6	10	15	18
Unmanufactured	1,076	1,523	3,080	4,655
Total, Class IV.	1,082	1,551	3,097	4,683
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.	37	81	77	213
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES.				
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds .. .. .	..	3	35	5
Gut—Imitation and Natural	1	86	124	65
Hair and Fibre .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle and Horse	197	262	207	365
Sheep	3	17	2	31
Other	91	186	190	372
Silk, Raw .. .. .	..	15	35	..
Wool	6	55	63	22
Other Animal Substances	9	33	15	50
Total, Class VI.	308	657	671	910
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES.				
Copra	77	26	271	262
Cork and Cork Manufactures	60	33	115	173
Fibres—				
Cotton, Raw	418	488	1,627	1,509
Flax, Hemp, &c.	68	32	370	243
Kapok	7	50	65	97
Synthetic Fibres and Filaments	14	28	37	30
Other	31	74	350	337
Grass or Straw for Hatmaking, Furniture, Mats, &c.	4	24	30	80
Gums and Resins	73	150	202	564
Plastic Materials	518	188	723	1,053
Seeds—				
Gardening and Horticultural	233	185	98	485
Linseed	298	100	1,184	1,113
Other	85	109	290	196
Tanning Substances	46	34	316	280
Other Vegetable Substances	11	25	5	103
Total, Class VII.	1,943	1,546	5,683	6,525
CLASS VIII.—(a) YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES.				
Bags and Sacks—				
Bran, Chaff and Fodder	52	13	391	175
Corn and Flour	342	436	3,868	1,567
Woolpacks	47	52	1,027	120
Other	6	1	45	49
Cordage and Twines	31	40	124	346
Sewing Cottons, Threads, &c.	118	126	771	591
Yarns—				
Artificial Silk	371	324	1,270	1,467
Cotton	225	241	1,608	1,016
Silk	3	..	..	3
Wool .. .. .	..	1	24	..
Other	29	28	84	135
Total, Class VIII. (a)	1,224	1,262	9,212	5,469

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Particulars.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1945.	1946.	1944-45.	1945-46.
	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
CLASS VIII.—(b) TEXTILES.				
Carpets and Other Floor Coverings	49	615	63	791
Cosies, Cushions, D'Oyleys	6	59	10	61
Handkerchiefs and Serviettes of Cotton or Linen	32	107	105	188
Piece Goods—				
Canvas and Duck	232	176	1,265	975
Cotton and Linen	2,503	2,274	16,948	9,014
Hessian and Jute Piece Goods	270	259	1,372	1,187
Lace for Attire, &c. .. ..	..	..	12	..
Silk, including Artificial Silk	1,601	1,999	6,502	6,224
Velvets, Plushes, &c.	9	52	35	31
Woollens	56	104	374	291
Other	233	134	1,498	687
Quilts, Tablecloths, Sheets, &c.	5	34	195	56
Towels and Towelling	104	67	285	366
Other Textiles	533	101	259	1,117
Total, Class VIII. (b)	5,633	5,981	28,923	20,988
CLASS VIII.—(c) APPAREL.				
Blouses, Skirts, Jumpers, &c.—				
Not knitted	1	32	2	15
Knitted	2	9	3	5
Boots and Shoes	1	5	25	9
Buttons	5	15	19	34
Furs and Other Skins .. ..	..	52	..	36
Gloves	27	32	20	103
Hats and Caps	17	41	178	118
Socks and Stockings .. ..	..	1	2	..
Shirts, Collars, Ties, &c.	2	1	340	22
Trimmings and Ornaments	97	216	292	594
Other Apparel and Attire	104	75	767	331
Total, Class VIII. (c)	256	479	1,648	1,267
Total, Class VIII.	7,113	7,722	39,783	27,724
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.				
Fats and Waxes, &c.	82	116	306	281
Oils—				
Kerosene	355	271	1,479	1,465
Lubricating (Mineral)	283	462	1,975	1,424
Olive .. ..	..	..	..	22
Petroleum	2,102	1,381	7,429	8,125
Residual	1,694	997	5,759	5,973
Turpentine	20	85	172	192
Other	268	142	1,001	737
Total, Class IX.	4,804	3,454	18,121	18,219
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS AND VARNISHES.				
Paints and Colours	220	204	488	875
Varnishes, Stains, Lacquers, &c.	1	2	4	10
Total, Class X.	221	206	492	885

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Particulars.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1945.	1946.	1944-45.	1945-46.
	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS, ETC.				
Asphalt, Bitumen and Pitch	59	79	261	362
Stones—				
Abrasives	34	18	222	96
Other .. ..	..	2	9	1
Other Minerals, &c.	195	336	937	928
Total, Class XI.	288	435	1,429	1,387
CLASS XII.—(a) METALS AND MANUFACTURES.				
Alloys	11	41	187	113
Aluminium Blocks, Ingots, &c.	21	110	259	130
Bolts, Nuts, Rivets, Washers	8	19	93	41
Iron and Steel—				
Bars, Rods, &c.	77	54	326	291
Channels, Girders, Joists, &c. .. ..	..	..	5	5
Pig and Scrap .. ..	..	1	..	..
Pipes and Tubes	16	30	118	121
Plate and Sheet—				
Plain	69	136	479	339
Tinned	1,125	567	3,994	2,744
Nails	4	8	47	23
Rails, Fishplates, Fishbolts, &c. .. ..	..	4	7	4
Wire	54	40	96	221
Lamps and Lampware	28	37	193	110
Leaf and Foil	25	67	79	105
Pins, Hooks, Eyes, &c.	29	55	58	131
Platedware and Cutlery	131	259	483	662
Tools of Trade	296	211	1,444	1,074
Vehicles—				
Aircraft and Parts	4,458	457	22,084	7,338
Cycles and Cycle Parts	65	87	405	277
Motor Cars, &c.—				
Bodies and Parts	2	25	2	46
Chassis and Parts	1,841	3,065	8,927	5,731
Motor Cycles, Side Cars, &c.	3	100	279	163
Other Vehicles and Parts	634	120	2,105	1,220
Other Metals and Manufactures	550	552	1,395	2,179
Total, Class XII. (a)	9,447	6,045	43,065	23,068
CLASS XII.—(b) ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES AND EQUIPMENT.				
Batteries and Accumulators	28	35	202	84
Cable and Wire, covered	113	142	662	610
Dynamo Electric Machines	501	176	778	1,076
Lamps, Filament	43	37	108	169
Telegraph, Telephone Instruments, &c.	287	220	1,380	1,116
Other Electrical Appliances	716	446	3,316	2,226
Total, Class XII. (b)	1,688	1,056	6,446	5,281

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—continued.

Particulars.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1945.	1946.	1944-45.	1945-46.
	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
CLASS XII.—(c) MACHINES AND MACHINERY.				
Machinery—				
Agricultural, Horticultural, &c.	19	48	179	169
Dairying	28	39	113	142
Metal working	152	221	1,043	659
Mining	127	67	263	398
Motive power	2,563	1,060	10,149	6,774
Printing	18	49	35	99
Machines—				
Sewing	54	105	314	414
Sheep-shearing	15	7	47	60
Weighing	12	16	44	60
Textile-working and Appliances	111	164	284	616
Roller Bearings and Ball Bearings	117	82	490	462
Other Machines and Machinery	554	786	3,471	2,362
Total, Class XII. (c)	3,770	2,644	16,432	12,215
Total, Class XII.	14,905	9,745	65,943	40,564
CLASS XIII.—(a) RUBBER AND MANUFACTURES.				
Crude Rubber, Rubber Waste, Masticated, &c.	265	1,278	1,400	2,137
Rubber Manufactures—				
Elastics, &c.	19	58	45	175
Tyres, Pneumatic and Other	25	138	36	168
Other	31	80	74	133
Total, Class XIII. (a)	340	1,554	1,555	2,613
CLASS XIII.—(b) LEATHER, ETC.				
Leather	6	14	27	39
Leather Manufactures, &c.	4	10	12	22
Total, Class XIII. (b)	10	24	39	61
Total, Class XIII.	350	1,578	1,594	2,674
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.				
Timber—				
Dressed	51	15	190	268
Undressed	327	209	929	1,220
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture	68	68	95	199
Total, Class XIV.	446	292	1,214	1,687
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, GLASS.				
Crocery and Household Ware	186	232	570	881
Glass and Glassware	131	182	459	608
Other Earthenware, Cements, China and Stone-ware	83	128	115	366
Total, Class XV.	400	542	1,144	1,855

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Particulars.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1945.	1946.	1944-45.	1945-46.
CLASS XVI.—(a) PULP, PAPER AND BOARD.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
Paper—				
Parchment			172	1
Printing	241	1,060	1,874	2,209
Wrapping	101	144	309	352
Writing and Typewriting	224	338	636	785
Other Paper	132	256	597	669
Pulp for Paper-making	268	381	785	854
Millboards and other boards	47	55	175	153
Total, Class XVI. (a)	1,013	2,234	4,548	5,023
CLASS XVI.—(b) STATIONERY, ETC.				
Books (printed), Directories, &c.	420	584	1,431	1,446
Pens and Pencils	46	89	163	195
Price Lists, Circulars, &c.	6	13	14	36
Other Stationery	94	137	350	470
Total, Class XVI. (b)	566	823	1,958	2,147
Total, Class XVI.	1,579	3,057	6,506	7,170
CLASS XVII.—FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY, ETC.				
Fancy Goods—				
Articles for games	11	26	33	59
Toys, &c.	13	57	23	65
Other	26	170	82	145
Jewellery—				
Pearls, Cameos, &c.		157	1	258
Other	9	48	5	50
Timepieces, Watches, Clocks, &c.	135	143	291	684
Total, Class XVII.	194	601	435	1,261
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.				
Films for Cinematographs, &c.	124	151	476	502
Optical and Meteorological Instruments, &c.	83	86	353	253
Phonographs, &c.	6	27	555	27
Surgical and Dental Instruments	176	186	14	707
Other Instruments	169	177	272	568
Total, Class XVIII.	558	627	1,670	2,057
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS.				
Acids	48	65	72	160
Argol		15	2	67
Cyanides of Potassium and Sodium	57	14	127	85
Drugs, Medicinal Preparations—				
Proprietary Medicines	187	164	374	585
Other	122	169	749	428
Dyes	108	163	516	505
Fertilizers	374	488	1,385	2,218
Insecticides, Washes and Dips	38	26	191	89
Oils, Essential (non-spirituous)	48	52	176	244
Perfumery and Preparations	31	65	107	106

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Particulars.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1945.	1946.	1944-45.	1945-46.
	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, ETC.—<i>continued.</i>				
Potassium, Carbonate, Chlorates, &c. ..	15	19	42	99
Salt	3	9	15	23
Sodium Salts—				
Carbonate (Soda Ash)	37	42	230	144
Hydroxide (Caustic Soda)	16	14	117	33
Other	34	36	302	133
Spirituous Preparations—				
Essences, Fruit Ethers, Flavours, Juices,				
Syrups	2	6	28	16
Other	23	16	25	59
Other Drugs and Chemicals	273	404	1,052	1,217
Total, Class XIX.	1,416	1,767	5,510	6,211
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Articles of Celluloid, &c.	10	41	90	35
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives	5,501	2,720	20,518	18,121
Bags, Baskets, Boxes, &c.	3	49	6	46
Brushware	7	45	23	47
Goods imported per parcel post	156	51	545	664
Musical Instruments, &c.	7	19	10	35
Outside Packages	600	761	2,719	2,508
Passengers' Effects	60	160	208	402
Packings for Engines	53	53	265	199
Vessels (Ships)	6	213	381	80
All other Articles	71	101	754	336
Total, Class XX.	6,474	4,213	25,519	22,473
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER, AND BRONZE SPECIE.				
Gold, including Gold in matte	242	190	1,132	909
Silver, including Silver in matte	134	6	1,307	166
Bronze Specie	359	..	..	359
Total, Class XXI.	735	196	2,439	1,434
SUMMARY.				
Importing States—				
New South Wales	23,466	19,000	101,330	77,046
Victoria	14,615	14,683	64,769	54,068
Queensland	3,962	2,435	12,956	10,730
South Australia	1,579	2,362	4,656	8,774
Western Australia	1,015	1,562	4,042	4,838
Tasmania	319	310	730	1,155
Northern Territory	44	20	..	172
GRAND TOTAL	45,000	40,372	188,483	156,783

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Particulars.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1945.	1946.	1944-45.	1945-46.

BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.

	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
TOTAL IMPORTS—				
Merchandise	44,265	40,176	186,044	155,349
Bullion and Specie	735	196	2,439	1,434
GRAND TOTAL	45,000	40,372	188,483	156,783

ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.

	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
TOTAL IMPORTS—				
Merchandise	55,442	50,320	233,021	194,575
Bullion and Specie—				
Gold	302	238	1,418	1,139
Silver and Bronze	618	8	1,636	657
Total Bullion and Specie	920	246	3,054	1,796
GRAND TOTAL	56,362	50,566	236,075	196,371

EXPORTS (AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES).

Particulars.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1945.	1946.	1944-45.	1945-46.
	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.				
Butter	1,164	2,076	8,250	10,272
Butter Fat (dry) .. .. .	..	..	11	..
Margarine	80	119	1,081	449
Cheese	325	646	1,975	1,689
Eggs	88	836	443	2,090
Infants' and Invalids' Foods	99	160	125	374
Meats—				
Bacon and Hams	427	127	672	1,039
Mutton, Dehydrated	13	10	642	153
Potted or Concentrated	35	78	105	209
Preserved by Cold Process—				
Beef	963	1,162	1,663	3,014
Lamb	61	702	3,218	1,168
Mutton	96	399	725	361
Pork	186	497	1,437	1,205
Rabbits and Hares	53	122	175	146
Preserved in Tins	1,337	2,260	4,476	5,907
Sausage Casings.. .. .	66	97	398	249
Other	195	347	534	745
Milk and Cream	345	1,053	1,780	2,168
Other Animal Foodstuffs	578	195	531	1,654
Total, Class I.	6,111	10,886	28,241	32,892

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—continued.

Particulars.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1945.	1946.	1944-45.	1945-46.
	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN.				
Aerated Waters, Cocoa, Coffee and Chicory,				
Fruit Juices, &c.	179	291	652	518
Biscuits	140	55	618	620
Confectionery	87	208	292	356
Fodders	34	38	184	174
Fruits, Dried—				
Currants	95	106	828	404
Raisins	244	883	2,648	1,547
Other	63	116	95	198
Fruits, Fresh—				
Apples	34	249	99	1,022
Citrus	56	110	210	135
Other	2	25	9	119
Fruits, preserved in liquid	166	694	508	893
Fruits and Vegetables, pulped	450	537	91	2,732
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared—				
Barley . . . . .	..	54	57	366
Wheat	55	3,061	9,752	6,378
Other	35	178	364	443
Prepared—				
Flour (Wheaten)	717	5,860	6,732	11,337
Rice	120	242	509	591
Other	111	660	527	717
Jams and Fruit Jellies	376	435	692	1,317
Sugar	944	1,835	1,854	3,213
Tea	91	62	151	213
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs	1,157	828	1,854	4,108
Total, Class II.	5,156	16,527	28,726	37,401
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS.				
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider, Perry	213	57	694	555
Spirits (Beverages)	166	290	546	717
Wine	176	330	595	742
Total, Class III.	555	677	1,835	2,014
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.				
Cigars, Cigarettes and Snuff	170	8	287	335
Tobacco	179	53	533	404
Total, Class IV.	349	61	820	739
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.				
Cattle . . . . .	..	10	24	10
Horses	3	38	3	64
Sheep	2	22	7	35
Other Animals	2	6	17	15
Total, Class V.	7	76	51	124

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued*.

Particulars.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1945.	1946.	1944-45.	1945-46.
	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES.				
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds .. ..	..	..	159	..
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle and Horse	54	31	243	278
Fox	11	4	78	53
Kangaroo and Wallaby	106	311	358	504
Opossum	8	42	136	87
Rabbit	2,554	3,807	3,864	6,304
Sheep	1,323	1,683	1,833	4,606
Other	3	10	90	21
Pearl-shell	6	20	5	28
Trochus-shell	6	31	25	56
Wool—				
Greasy	10,322	24,373	38,745	50,880
Scoured and Tops	3,134	6,991	10,642	12,899
Other Animal Substances	6	23	29	47
Total, Class VI.	17,533	37,326	56,207	75,763
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES.				
Fibres	157	118	710	649
Seeds	43	82	142	215
Tanning Substances	15	28	57	72
Other Vegetable Substances	9	43	79	78
Total, Class VII.	224	271	988	1,014
CLASS VIII.—MANUFACTURED FIBRES; TEXTILES; AND APPAREL.				
Manufactured Fibres, including Bags, Cordage and Yarns	107	419	343	797
Piece Goods	183	1,431	890	2,581
Other Textiles	193	375	556	488
Boots and Shoes	17	25	62	116
Other Apparel and Attire	297	1,069	470	3,150
Total, Class VIII.	797	3,319	2,321	7,132
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.				
Fats and Waxes	83	78	247	347
Oils	403	194	2,481	1,759
Tallow, unrefined	145	89	670	317
Total, Class IX.	631	361	3,398	2,423
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS AND VARNISHES.	40	68	104	151
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS, ETC.				
Coal	17	12	224	93
Ores and Concentrates—				
Silver and Silver Lead	43	150	782	208
Zinc	199	141	865	932
Other	151	319	577	716
Other Rocks and Minerals	9	25	98	47
Total, Class XI.	419	647	2,546	1,996

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Particulars.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1945.	1946.	1944-45.	1945-46.
	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
Iron and Steel	741	775	1,196	2,718
Lead—Pig and in Matte	797	2,306	5,558	4,221
Metal Scrap .. .. .	..	31	..	2
Tin Ingots	47	10	181	121
Vehicles	443	388	693	864
Zinc Bars, Blocks, &c.	577	745	1,879	2,226
Other Metals and Manufactures	386	982	775	2,605
Electrical Appliances and Equipment	75	185	350	537
Machines and Machinery	258	767	767	1,351
Total, Class XII.	3,324	6,189	11,399	14,645
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER.				
Rubber and Manufactures	177	321	400	534
Leather	147	551	560	925
Leather Manufactures, &c.	13	33	47	81
Total, Class XIII.	337	905	1,007	1,540
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.				
Timber	99	250	362	618
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture	41	58	124	289
Total, Class XIV.	140	308	486	907
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, GLASS AND STONE-WARE	99	185	325	445
CLASS XVI.—PAPER, ETC.				
Paper	19	162	53	159
Stationery	92	228	420	426
Total, Class XVI.	111	390	473	585
CLASS XVII.—FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY, ETC.				
Precious Stones—Unset—Pearls, Cameos, &c.	2	11	9	12
Other Jewellery, Timepieces, &c.	55	149	81	232
Total, Class XVII.	57	160	90	244
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.				
Films for Cinematographs, &c.	8	18	41	96
Photographic Goods, &c.	7	43	67	59
Talking Machines, &c.	8	21	30	51
Other Instruments	64	93	136	439
Total, Class XVIII.	87	175	274	645

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued*.

Particulars.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1945.	1946.	1944-45.	1945-46.
	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS.				
Casein .. .. .	..	..	1	..
Fertilizers	7	2	12	26
Medicines	137	398	232	640
Oils—				
Eucalyptus	35	97	136	202
Other	2	30	16	39
Perfumery and Preparations	219	270	520	882
Other Drugs and Chemicals	343	414	939	1,210
Total, Class XIX.	743	1,211	1,856	2,999
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives	1,261	390	10,000	3,664
Miscellaneous Articles to Pacific Islands	10	24	19	45
Personal and Household Effects	64	258	121	408
Vessels transferred abroad	41	51	..	248
Goods Exported per parcel post	9	39	26	52
All other Articles	401	470	1,948	1,386
Total, Class XX.	1,786	1,232	12,114	5,803
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; AND BRONZE SPECIE.				
Gold .. .. .	..	..	..	26,411
Silver, including Silver in matte	2	46	10	369
Bronze Specie .. .. .	..	..	..	84
Total, Class XXI.	2	46	10	26,864
SUMMARY.				
States of Final Shipment—				
New South Wales	18,756	36,262	60,837	75,619
Victoria	8,025	21,123	40,071	74,907
Queensland	5,667	10,468	18,283	24,656
South Australia	2,059	6,854	19,167	18,868
Western Australia	3,022	5,199	12,382	18,333
Tasmania	978	1,112	2,531	3,721
Northern Territory	1	2	..	222
Unrecorded Government Exports (Estimated) .. .. .	..	..	2,000	..
Total { Australian Produce	37,618	80,060	151,605	211,755
{ Other Produce	890	960	3,666	4,571
GRAND TOTAL	38,508	81,020	155,271	216,326

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Particulars.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1945.	1946.	1944-45.	1945-46.

AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.

	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
TOTAL EXPORTS—				
Merchandise	38,506	80,974	155,261	189,462
Bullion and Specie—				
Australian Produce	2	29	10	26,534
Other Produce .. .. .	..	17	..	330
Total, Bullion and Specie	2	46	10	26,864
GRAND TOTAL	38,508	81,020	155,271	216,326

ESTIMATED BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.

	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
TOTAL EXPORTS—				
Merchandise	30,743	64,650	123,961	151,267
Bullion and Specie—				
Gold .. .. .	..	..	..	21,129
Silver and Bronze	2	37	8	361
Total, Bullion and Specie	2	37	8	21,490
GRAND TOTAL	30,745	64,687	123,969	172,757
VALUE OF AUSTRALIAN GOLD PRODUCTION	£A. '000. 1,951	£A. '000. 2,900	£A. '000. 6,916	£A. '000. 7,405

PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Butter.	Cheese.	Meats.			
			Bacon and Hams.	Beef.(a)	Mutton and Lamb.	Pork.

QUANTITY.

	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.
1938-39 ..	2,295,428	359,236	17,391	2,719,638	1,864,885	307,164
1942-43 ..	1,243,207	259,643	26,397	226,289	2,036,815	19,970
1943-44 ..	1,042,265	329,748	86,252	474,470	1,715,698	160,172
1944-45 ..	937,391	335,138	84,862	627,614	1,466,901	398,818
1945-46 ..	1,375,699	327,565	116,960	1,107,913	567,456	307,729
1946-47 (Three months)	283,750	119,644	15,778	489,855	460,155	113,827

(a) Includes Veal.

Principal Agricultural, Pastoral and Dairy Produce of Australian Origin Exported from Australia—continued.

Year.	Butter.	Cheese.	Meats.			
			Bacon and Hams.	Beef.(a)	Mutton and Lamb.	Pork.
VALUE.—(AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY.)						
	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1938-39 ..	12,892	1,074	120	4,324	4,807	882
1942-43 ..	8,086	1,225	206	561	5,496	86
1943-44 ..	6,871	1,954	628	1,246	4,644	587
1944-45 ..	8,250	1,975	672	1,653	3,940	1,437
1945-46 ..	10,272	1,689	1,037	3,014	1,529	1,205
1946-47 (Three months)	2,076	641	127	1,162	1,101	497

Year.	Fruits, Dried.		Fruits Preserved in Liquid—Apricots, Peaches, Pears, Pine-apples, and Other.	Wheat.	Flour.	Wool.	
	Vine.	Other.				Greasy.	Scoured. (b)

QUANTITY.

	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Bushels.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.
1938-39..	1,642,128	39,152	812,788	63,129,023	14,501,304	7,933,845	708,812
1942-43..	1,298,535	24,172	134,464	22,544,103	6,834,379	5,181,276	516,692
1943-44..	1,680,747	36,299	211,678	33,658,458	11,810,882	4,551,147	702,954
1944-45..	1,734,008	18,569	217,067	32,391,450	11,194,989	4,967,171	816,654
1945-46..	880,960	30,614	367,912	12,794,070	10,377,511	7,124,419	946,545
1946-47 (Three months)	426,571	19,037	276,294	5,981,127	4,795,837	2,973,414	489,681

VALUE.—(AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY.)

	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1938-39..	2,747	118	1,267	8,735	4,540	37,305	5,324
1942-43..	2,172	105	290	4,884	3,494	37,694	6,624
1943-44..	3,163	131	530	8,264	6,699	36,232	9,535
1944-45..	3,476	95	508	9,752	6,732	38,745	10,642
1945-46..	1,951	198	893	6,378	11,337	50,880	12,899
1946-47 (Three months)	989	116	694	3,061	5,860	24,373	6,991

(a) Includes Veal.

(b) Includes Tops, Noils and Waste.

**PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN
ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM EACH STATE TO VARIOUS COUNTRIES.**

July–September 1945–46 and 1946–47.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Aus- tralia.	Western Aus- tralia.	Tas- mania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1946–47.	1945–46.

BUTTER.

	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	£A.'000.	'000 lb.
United Kingdom	55	15,144	7,780	2,195	184	..	25,378	1,828	11,598
Ceylon ..	..	223	..	..	..	..	223	16	637
Hong Kong ..	..	158	..	..	..	..	158	11	..
India ..	34	18	..	..	..	..	52	5	970
Malaya (British)	..	345	..	..	..	..	345	23	43
Pacific Isl'ds (Br.)	44	..	22	..	..	..	66	6	2
Palestine ..	..	575	..	..	..	..	575	47	..
Union of South Africa	5	22	..	..	..	..	27	2	..
Other British Countries ..	15	287	..	..	..	..	302	32	1,790
Egypt ..	56	426	..	1.	..	..	482	33	568
Japan ..	375	..	..	..	..	..	375	35	..
Pacific Islands (Foreign)	70	..	..	..	..	..	70	6	65
Other Foreign Countries ..	15	307	..	..	..	..	322	32	2
Total Three months—									
Quantity—									
1946–47..	669	17,525	7,802	2,195	184	..	28,375	..	..
1945–46..	1,919	3,224	10,375	90	67	..	..	..	15,675
	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
Value—									
1946–47..	63	1,163	640	185	25	..	..	2,076	..
1945–46..	193	244	717	6.	4	..	..	..	1,164

CHEESE.

	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	£A.'000.	'000 lb.
United Kingdom	36	2,622	1,220	3,820	9	2	7,709	333	528
Ceylon ..	68	175	..	..	..	..	243	18	318
India ..	78	93	..	17	..	..	188	15	2,870
Malaya (British)	7	1,134	..	..	..	..	1,141	84	3
Palestine ..	13	1,442	..	..	..	..	1,455	106	..
Other British Countries ..	16	160	3	..	..	..	179	16	460
Egypt ..	64	650	..	..	..	..	714	42	1,208
Iraq ..	14	7	..	..	..	..	21	2	..
Other Foreign Countries ..	166	136	..	12	..	..	314	25	12
Total Three months—									
Quantity—									
1946–47..	462	6,419	1,223	3,849	9	2	11,964	..	..
1945–46..	1,853	3,331	..	215	..	..	..	..	5,399
	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
Value—									
1946–47..	37	358	66	179	1	(a)	..	641	..
1945–46..	103	214	..	8	..	..	..	..	325

(a) Less than £500.

Principal Agricultural, &c., Produce of Australian Origin Exported from each State to Various Countries—*continued*.

July–September 1945–46 and 1946–47.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1946–47.	1945–46.

BACON AND HAMS.

	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	£A.'000.	'000 lb.
United Kingdom ..	..	36	7	298	16	..	357	21	..
Ceylon ..	..	..	..	144	..	..	144	11	1,428
Hong Kong ..	66	..	..	..	..	..	66	6	..
India ..	..	10	..	..	..	..	10	1	40
Malaya (British) ..	..	3	..	..	154	..	157	14	..
Other British Countries ..	19	28	3	..	..	..	50	4	1,507
Egypt ..	374	36	..	..	..	..	410	38	804
Italy ..	238	..	..	..	..	..	238	22	125
Japan ..	107	..	..	..	..	..	107	7	..
Other Foreign Countries ..	2	..	..	..	37	..	39	3	32
Total Three months— ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Quantity—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1946–47..	806	113	10	442	207	..	1,578	..	..
1945–46..	2,618	584	168	..	566	..	..	..	3,936
Value—	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1946–47..	71	11	1	26	18	..	..	127	..
1945–46..	318	52	14	..	43	..	..	..	427

BEEF (INCLUDING VEAL)—FROZEN AND CHILLED.

	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	£A.'000.	'000 lb.
United Kingdom ..	1,874	4,029	31,454	1,788	6,825	..	45,970	1,055	19,311
Ceylon ..	192	..	..	608	..	..	800	33	3,432
Hong Kong ..	805	..	..	..	..	..	805	19	..
India ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	12,619
Malaya (British) ..	92	17	..	..	..	..	109	3	..
Pacific Isl'ds (Br.) ..	1	4	..	..	..	..	5	..	4
Other British Countries ..	77	36	34	..	..	..	147	7	2,302
Egypt ..	330	14	..	..	..	..	344	11	370
Iraq ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	885
Japan ..	804	..	..	..	..	..	804	34	..
Other Foreign Countries ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14
Total Three months— ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Quantity—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1946–47..	4,176	4,100	31,488	2,396	6,825	..	48,985	..	..
1945–46..	5,077	291	33,485	..	84	..	..	..	38,937
Value—	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1946–47..	134	102	747	54	125	..	..	1,162	..
1945–46..	171	11	778	..	3	..	..	..	963

Principal Agricultural, &c., Produce of Australian Origin Exported from each State to Various Countries—*continued*.

July–September 1945–46 and 1946–47.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1946–47.	1945–46.

MUTTON AND LAMB—FROZEN.

	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	£A.'000.	'000 lb.
United Kingdom	15,830	23,816	1,426	2,663	630	..	44,365	1,057	2,570
Ceylon ..	159	11	..	362	..	..	532	10	1,956
Hong Kong ..	524	..	..	..	..	..	524	16	..
India ..	4	..	..	..	..	..	4	(a)	1,509
Malaya (British)	143	..	..	..	..	..	143	4	..
Other British Countries ..	27	..	7	..	..	..	34	1	600
Egypt ..	227	23	..	..	..	..	250	9	167
Japan ..	163	..	..	..	..	..	163	4	..
Other Foreign Countries ...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14
Total Three months—									
Quantity—									
1946–47..	17,077	23,850	1,433	3,025	630	..	46,015	..	..
1945–46..	970	5,249	438	159	..	..	..	..	6,816
Value—	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1946–47..	433	557	27	76	8	..	..	1,101	..
1945–46..	22	123	8	4	..	..	..	..	157

(a) Less than £500.

PORK.

	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	£A.'000.	'000 lb.
United Kingdom	449	2,423	6,239	694	685	96	10,586	463	4,528
Ceylon ..	..	22	..	138	..	..	160	8	366
Hong Kong ..	..	460	..	..	..	..	460	17	..
Other British Countries ..	1	50	16	..	..	..	67	3	42
Egypt ..	99	11	..	..	..	..	110	6	85
Other Foreign Countries ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Total Three months—									
Quantity—									
1946–47..	549	2,966	6,255	832	685	96	11,383	..	..
1945–46..	97	2,002	530	1,628	771	..	..	..	5,028
Value—	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1946–47..	28	117	264	56	27	5	..	497	..
1945–46..	5	78	19	59	25	..	..	..	186

Principal Agricultural, &c., Produce of Australian Origin Exported from each State to Various Countries—*continued*.

July–September 1945–46 and 1946–47.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1946–47.	1945–46.

FRUITS, DRIED—CURRANTS.

	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	£A.'000.	'000 lb.
United Kingdom	3	1,835	..	478	2,658	..	4,974	93	4,149
Ceylon ..	..	24	..	4	..	..	28	1	17
Malaya (British) ..	..	8	..	..	1	..	9	..	1
New Zealand ..	..	492	..	16	..	..	508	11	679
Other British Countries ..	2	30	..	..	..	..	32	1	275
Foreign Countries	5	2	..	..	..	..	7	..	..
Total Three months—									
Quantity—									
1946–47..	10	2,391	..	498	2,659	..	5,558	..	..
1945–46..	150	1,178	..	260	3,533	..	..	..	5,121
Value—	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1946–47..	..	45	..	11	50	..	..	106	..
1945–46..	5	22	..	5	63	..	..	..	95

FRUITS, DRIED—RAISINS (INCLUDING SULTANAS AND LEXIAS.)

	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	£A.'000.	'000 lb.
United Kingdom	3	26,878	..	1,977	..	..	28,858	680	3,620
Canada ..	..	1,911	..	719	..	..	2,630	64	1,600
Ceylon ..	..	348	..	26	..	..	374	9	345
New Zealand ..	..	3,244	..	1,692	..	..	4,936	121	4,244
Pacific Isl'ds (Br.)	23	16	..	..	..	..	39	1	56
Other British Countries ..	..	227	..	5	1	..	233	6	447
Foreign Countries	21	2	..	6	..	..	29	2	51
Total Three months—									
Quantity—									
1946–47..	47	32,626	..	4,425	1	..	37,099	..	..
1945–46..	424	8,136	..	1,747	16	..	..	..	10,323
Value—	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1946–47..	..	790	..	93	1	883	..
1945–46..	14	176	..	53	244

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Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1946–47.	1945–46.

FRUITS, DRIED—APPLES, APRICOTS, PEACHES, PEARS, PRUNES AND OTHER DRIED FRUITS.

	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	£A.'000.	'000 lb.
United Kingdom	6	..	..	..	4	1,120	1,130	68	..
Ceylon ..	64	5	..	28	1	..	98	4	..
India ..	25	21	..	..	..	..	46	2	10
Malaya (British)	121	45	1	55	2	..	224	14	13
New Zealand ..	..	..	..	45	..	..	45	3	42
Palestine ..	..	63	..	..	..	..	63	6	..
Other British Countries ..	24	24	1	..	..	..	49	4	927
Japan ..	237	..	..	..	..	..	237	14	..
Other Foreign Countries ..	1	10	..	..	..	..	11	1	18
Total Three months—									
Quantity—									
1946–47..	478	168	2	128	7	1,120	1,903	..	..
1945–46..	924	64	..	22	..	..	..	..	1,010
Value—	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1946–47..	27	12	(a)	8	(a)	69	..	116	..
1945–46..	59	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	63

(a) Under £500.

FRUITS PRESERVED IN LIQUID—APRICOTS, PEACHES, PEARS, PINEAPPLES AND OTHER FRUITS.

	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	£A.'000.	'000 lb.
United Kingdom	10,046	13,004	19	308	262	235	23,874	589	245
Ceylon ..	11	18	..	..	..	..	29	1	432
India ..	39	362	..	..	..	9	410	11	61
Malaya (British)	469	273	..	17	113	..	872	23	187
New Zealand ..	169	658	..	..	..	..	827	20	822
Pacific Isl's (Br.)	10	10	..	..	..	..	20	1	428
Other British Countries ..	388	529	..	..	..	..	917	29	4,129
Egypt ..	..	26	..	..	..	..	26	1	..
Other Foreign Countries ..	590	64	..	..	..	..	654	19	16
Total Three months—									
Quantity—									
1946–47..	11,722	14,944	19	325	375	244	27,629	..	..
1945–46..	4,812	1,419	58	..	31	..	..	..	6,320
Value—	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1946–47..	351	317	..	9	10	7	..	694	..
1945–46..	127	35	2	..	2	..	..	..	166

Principal Agricultural, &c., Produce of Australian Origin Exported from each State to Various Countries—*continued*.

July–September 1945–46 and 1946–47.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1946–47.	1945–46.

WHEAT.

	'000. bushels.	'000. bushels.	'000. bushels.	'000. bushels.	'000. bushels.	'000. bushels.	'000. bushels.	£A.'000.	'000. bushels.
Ceylon ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	86
India ..	2,274	..	..	597	1,704	..	4,575	2,334	..
New Zealand ..	750	..	..	184	..	..	934	475	..
Rhodesia, Southern ..	..	..	..	202	..	..	202	106	..
Union of South Africa ..	..	..	..	37	..	..	37	22	44
Other British Countries ..	1	..	..	229	..	..	230	122	..
Foreign Countries	3	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..
Total Three months—									
Quantity—									
1946–47 ..	3,028	..	..	1,249	1,704	..	5,981	..	..
1945–46 ..	..	..	..	86	44	..	..	..	130
Value—	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1946–47 ..	1,549	..	..	659	853	..	..	3,061	..
1945–46 ..	..	..	..	40	15	..	..	..	55

FLOUR.

	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	£A.'000.	'000. centals.
Borneo (British) ..	..	34	..	..	..	..	34	40	..
Ceylon ..	202	414	..	..	628	..	1,244	1,489	272
Hong Kong ..	9	134	..	..	..	..	143	173	..
India ..	593	9	..	5	187	..	794	952	..
Malaya (British) ..	582	371	..	199	..	..	1,152	1,880	3
Mauritius ..	..	100	..	..	..	..	100	242	188
New Zealand ..	252	4	..	..	..	..	256	282	117
Pacific Isl'ds (Br.) ..	58	..	..	..	..	..	58	74	121
Union of South Africa ..	171	..	..	10	..	..	181	216	..
Other British Countries ..	42	20	..	9	..	..	71	85	152
Madagascar ..	..	..	..	71	..	..	71	94	..
Netherlands East Indies ..	..	..	..	..	10	..	10	13	..
Pacific Islands (Foreign) ..	72	1	..	..	..	..	73	83	79
Foreign Countries	381	..	..	223	..	..	609	737	..
Total Three months—									
Quantity—									
1946–47 ..	2,362	1,087	..	522	825	..	4,796	..	..
1945–46 ..	354	1	..	169	408	..	..	..	932
Value—	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1946–47 ..	2,800	1,419	..	646	995	..	..	5,860	..
1945–46 ..	323	1	..	124	269	..	..	..	717

Principal Agricultural, &c., Produce of Australian Origin Exported from each State to Various Countries—*continued*.

July–September 1945–46 and 1946–47.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Three months.	
							1946–47.	1945–46.

WOOL—GREASY.

	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	£A.'000.	'000. centals.
United Kingdom	265	113	130	27	57	3	595	6,030	905
Canada ..	9	3	1	4	..	..	17	163	7
India ..	1	2	..	1	1	..	5	46	2
Belgium ..	178	60	30	11	17	..	296	2,094	..
France ..	367	57	73	7	11	..	515	3,732	..
Italy ..	182	52	51	27	19	..	331	2,312	..
Mexico ..	2	..	1	..	..	..	3	36	14
Sweden ..	30	2	25	..	..	..	57	498	..
Turkey ..	7	..	21	..	..	..	28	211	49
United States of America ..	486	212	212	42	85	24	1,061	8,698	485
Other Foreign Countries ..	16	17	28	2	2	..	65	553	2
Total Three months—									
Quantity—									
1946–47..	1,543	518	572	121	192	27	2,973	..	..
1945–46..	620	111	385	47	272	29	..	..	1,464
Value—	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1946–47..	13,066	4,266	4,530	851	1,406	254	..	24,373	..
1945–46..	4,461	922	2,609	289	1,831	210	..	..	10,322

WOOL—SCOURED, TOPS, NOILS AND WASTE.

	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	'000. centals.	£A.'000.	'000. centals.
United Kingdom	45	22	26	7	19	1	120	1,548	80
Canada ..	19	11	1	14	5	5	55	805	30
India ..	3	13	..	..	..	..	16	302	17
Palestine ..	2	2	..	..	..	..	4	67	1
Other British Countries ..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	56	1
Belgium ..	11	8	1	3	1	..	24	304	..
China ..	10	7	4	1	..	..	22	427	..
Egypt ..	2	..	..	1	..	..	3	43	7
France ..	11	5	1	..	2	..	19	204	..
Mexico ..	4	6	3	2	..	..	15	224	22
Sweden ..	4	19	3	..	1	..	27	429	..
United States of America ..	36	34	32	7	15	10	134	1,866	91
Other Foreign Countries ..	19	14	5	2	9	..	49	716	3
Total Three months—									
Quantity—									
1946–47..	166	143	76	37	52	16	490	..	..
1945–46..	89	81	26	20	24	12	..	..	252
Value—	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1946–47..	2,326	2,186	1,099	554	599	227	..	6,991	..
1945–46..	948	1,275	268	252	259	132	..	..	3,134

Section IV.—Finance.

(A.) COMMONWEALTH FINANCE.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND.

Receipts.

Sources of Revenue.	1938-39.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.	1945-46.
TAXATION—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Customs	31,161	20,806	20,607	21,488	28,894
Excise	16,472	44,072	46,685	45,689	49,067
Sales Tax	9,308	28,846	27,909	29,672	33,600
Flour Tax	1,809	1,709	1,940	1,996	1,779
Land Tax	1,489	3,873	3,819	3,664	3,782
Income Tax(a)	11,883	141,027	183,799	215,534	214,594
Pay-roll Tax .. .. .	..	10,451	10,903	11,088	11,499
Gold Tax .. .. .	..	525	318	343	383
Estate Duty	1,915	2,696	2,761	3,090	3,880
Entertainments Tax .. .. .	..	2,994	4,704	5,027	5,070
Gift Duty .. .. .	..	145	222	329	393
Wool Tax(b)	74	82	85	75	270
Total Taxation	74,111	257,226	303,752	337,995	353,211
BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS—					
Postmaster-General's Department	17,366	24,391	26,679	27,872	28,455
Railways—					
Trans-Australian	331	1,226	1,027	989	769
Central Australia	138	1,584	1,737	1,046	711
North Australia	50	792	823	820	174
Australian Capital Territory	7	15	15	11	11
Total Railways	526	3,617	3,602	2,866	1,665
Total Business Undertakings	17,892	28,008	30,281	30,738	30,120
TERRITORIES(c)	356	447	482	455	508
OTHER REVENUE—					
Interest(d)	1,144	1,081	1,166	1,202	1,143
Coinage	123	2,589	2,028	1,307	605
Defence	151	1,490	202	126	250
Civil Aviation	6	401	770	1,173	1,166
Health	18	14	24	12	14
Patents, Trade Marks, Copyrights	68	58	67	77	95
Bankruptcy	31	23	17	16	15
Commerce	6	258	115	13	11
Marine	152	101	96	261	251
Net Profit, Note Issue	767	2,248	2,629	2,949	2,939
Balance of Trust Accounts .. .. .	..	218	127	102	..
Other	235	297	432	428	452
Total	2,706	8,778	7,673	7,666	6,941
Grand Total	95,065	294,450	342,188	376,854	390,780
PER HEAD(e)—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Taxation	10 14 0	35 15 3	41 17 0	46 1 9	47 13 0
Business Undertakings	2 11 7	3 17 11	4 3 5	4 3 10	4 1 2
Other	0 8 11	1 5 8	1 2 6	1 2 2	1 0 1
Total	13 14 6	40 18 10	47 2 11	51 7 9	52 14 4

(a) Includes Social Services Contribution, War-time (Company) Tax and Super Tax. (b) For Publicity and Research. (c) Excludes Railways—see Business Undertakings. (d) Excludes balance of interest on States' debts (payable by States). (e) Based on mean population of each financial year.

Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Expenditure.

Departments, &c.	1938-39.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.	1945-46.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
War (1914-19) and Repatriation Services—					
Interest, Sinking Fund and Exchange..	9,665	9,384	9,313	9,121	8,959
War Pensions	8,227	8,346	9,267	9,250	9,121
Repatriation	994	850	902	759	655
Other	371	141	122	159	157
Total, War, &c.	19,257	18,721	19,604	19,289	18,892
Defence and War (1939-45) Services—					
Interest, Sinking Fund and Exchange ..	..	15,119	24,762	34,198	41,538
War Pensions .. .. .	..	662	1,737	2,771	4,915
Other	(a) 8,061	143,697	141,344	157,005	179,108
Total, Defence, War, &c... ..	8,061	159,478	167,843	194,574	225,651
Total Cost of Departments (b)—					
Governor-General	33	29	32	49	35
Parliament	445	487	599	603	550
Prime Minister	1,356	1,359	1,603	1,616	1,920
External Affairs	70	216	251	244	503
Treasury	2,258	3,564	3,779	3,985	4,150
Attorney-General	281	351	387	434	473
Interior	1,275	841	807	856	953
Works and Housing	(c)	49	43	49	109
Civil Aviation	328	350	360	439	739
Trade and Customs	1,064	872	816	873	983
Health	338	386	379	393	429
Commerce and Agriculture	994	1,022	1,034	(d) 2,613	(d) 1,545
Social Services	325	393	412	443	666
Supply and Shipping	215	246	275	273	280
External Territories	(e)	25	20	36	45
Immigration	(c)	27	31	32	73
Business Undertakings (b)—					
Postmaster-General	15,028	19,939	22,481	23,993	24,775
Railways	1,351	2,726	3,069	2,795	2,189
Territories (b) (f)—					
Australian Capital Territory	637	677	698	737	831
Northern Territory	403	329	302	295	366
Papua	49	5	5	5	5
New Guinea	6	2	2	2	2
Norfolk Island	5	5	4	4	4
Total, Territories	1,100	1,018	1,011	1,043	1,208
New Works (g)	6,565	3,961	4,677	5,705	6,660
Invalid and Old-age Pensions	15,992	22,293	21,699	21,701	(h)
Child Endowment .. .. .	..	11,660	12,257	12,036	(h)
Widows' Pensions .. .. .	..	2,359	2,801	2,965	(h)
Maternity Allowances	437	281	(h) 28	(h)	(h)
National Welfare Fund .. .. .	..	..	27,889	30,000	46,499
Payments to or for States (i)—					
Interest on States' Debts	7,585	7,585	7,585	7,585	7,585
Sinking Fund on States' Debts	1,478	1,588	1,578	1,683	1,616
Special Grants	2,020	2,175	2,470	2,846	2,996
Grants for Federal Aid Roads	4,266	1,603	1,487	2,201	3,327
Income Tax Reimbursement .. .. .	..	26,432	32,047	32,666	33,308
Entertainments Tax Reimbursement .. .. .	..	574	766	766	766
Other Grants	300	140	127	122	16
Total to or for States	15,649	40,097	46,060	47,869	49,614
Relief to Primary Producers	2,015	(j) 1,709	(j) 1,941	(j) 1,996	(j) 1,779
Grand Total	94,437	294,459	342,188	376,854	390,780
Per Head of Population (k)	£13 12 8	£40 18 10	£47 2 11	£51 7 9	£52 14 4

(a) Expenditure on the Defence Departments (Navy, Army and Air) and Department of Supply and Development (Munitions, &c.). (b) Includes interest and sinking fund payments. (c) Included with Department of Interior.

(d) Includes Drought Relief:—1944-45, £1,571,000; and 1945-46, £170,000. (e) Included with Prime Minister's Department. (f) Excludes Railways. See Business Undertakings. (g) Excludes Defence and War (1939-45) Services. (h) Expenditure met from National Welfare Fund (see next page). (i) Excludes balance of interest payable on States' Debt (recoverable from States).

(j) In addition, the following amounts were provided under War Services:—1942-43, £3,085,000; 1943-44, £12,322,000; 1944-45, £14,280,000; 1945-46, £19,755,000. (k) Based on mean population for each financial year.

Commonwealth National Welfare Fund—Expenditure.

Item.	1943-44.	1944-45.	1945-46.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Invalid and Old-age Pensions .. ..	..	..	26,962
Child Endowment .. ..	..	..	18,019
Widows' Pensions .. ..	..	..	3,247
Maternity Allowances	2,259	2,543	2,493
Hospital Benefit .. ..	..	..	1,111
Unemployment and Sickness Benefits ..	..	..	1,144
Funeral Benefit	105	164	185
Total	2,364	2,707	53,161

Commonwealth Expenditure from General Loan Fund.

Particulars.	1938-39.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.	1945-46.	Total to 30th June, 1946.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
War (1914-19) and Repatriation Services ..	..	..	..	..	..	372,990
Defence and War (1939-45) Services ..	..	402,852	377,157	266,040	152,948	1,540,269
Works and Services—						
Defence Buildings, Works, Sites ..	1,912	..	..	..	..	8,694
Civil Aviation, Buildings and Works ..	..	..	..	Cr. 1	..	213
Ships, Yards and Docks ..	Cr. 305	..	..	..	..	7,863
Lighthouses, Works and Services ..	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	..	..	634
River Murray Waters Act ..	..	..	..	..	..	2,106
Postmaster-General's Department ..	Cr. 1	..	..	..	..	40,541
Health Buildings, Laboratories and Services ..	..	..	..	..	..	102
Repatriation Buildings, &c. ..	..	..	..	..	..	47
War Service Homes (a) ..	..	..	..	..	..	7,329
Railways ..	..	Cr. 35	Cr. 10	Cr. 41	Cr. 7	13,767
Territories (b) ..	Cr. 7	Cr. 5	Cr. 6	Cr. 8	Cr. 9	8,796
Other ..	..	..	..	..	..	3,062
Assistance to States—						
Housing ..	..	..	..	..	6,795	6,795
Other ..	1,996	206	(c) 223	..	..	13,943
Wheat Bounty ..	..	..	..	..	..	3,430
Total Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c. ..	3,594	165	206	Cr. 50	6,779	117,322
GRAND TOTAL ..	3,594	403,017	377,363	265,990	159,727	2,030,581

(a) In addition, £13,045,000 was expended from War Loan Fund prior to 1923-24. (b) Includes Administration and other Public Buildings, A.C.T. (c) Adjustment of credits of previous years.

New Loans Raised in Australia for War (1939-45) and Other Purposes.

(Excludes Conversion Loans.)

Period of Raising.	Amount Invited.	Number of Subscribers.	Amount Subscribed.		Rates of Interest.	Years of Maturity.
			For War.	For other Purposes.		
	£'000.	C'wlth. Bank	£'000.	£'000.	% 3½	1942, 1943, 1944
1/12/39 ..	12,000	..	2,000	10,000	3½	1945, 1950-56
1/3/40 to 15/3/40 ..	18,000	14,339	7,676	10,489	3½	1945, 1950-56
29/5/40 to 14/6/40 ..	20,000	20,000	32,792	..	2½, 3½	1945, 1950-56
28/11/40 to 14/12/40 ..	28,000	21,830	20,505	8,000	2½, 3½	1945, 1950-56
30/4/41 to 19/5/41 ..	35,000	57,217	27,871	8,000	2½, 3½	1946, 1950-56
7/10/41 to 15/11/41 ..	30,000	83,378	34,159	..	2½, 3½	1945-46, 1950-57
17/2/42 to 10/3/42 ..	35,000	244,589	48,331	..	2½, 3½	1945-46, 1950-58
2/6/42 to 23/6/42 ..	35,000	196,513	37,373	..	2½, 3½	1946-47, 1950-58
3/11/42 to 15/12/42 ..	77,300	454,865	82,667	..	2½, 3½	1946-47, 1950-58
16/3/43 to 20/4/43 ..	100,000	432,555	101,806	..	2½, 3½	1947-48, 1950-59
5/10/43 to 9/11/43 ..	125,000	567,695	126,408	..	2½, 3½	1947-48, 1950-59
28/3/44 to 9/5/44 ..	150,000	452,700	150,549	..	2½, 3½	1948-49, 1950-60
26/9/44 to 4/11/44 ..	112,479	421,517	113,937	..	2½, 3½	1948-49, 1950-60
13/3/45 to 27/4/45 ..	100,000	422,811	107,303	..	2½, 3½	1949-50, 1950-61
25/9/45 to 15/11/45 ..	85,000	260,470	87,233	..	2½, 3½	1949-50, 1950-61
12/3/46 to 16/4/46 ..	70,000	191,849	78,459	..	2, 3	1949, 1955-58
15/10/46 to 15/11/46 ..	64,000	(b)173,900	(b)69,391	(b)	2, 3	1949, 1955-58
Total ..	1,096,779	4,029,020	(a)1,116,250	36,489	..	..

(a) In addition, £6,586,016 raised for Defence purposes prior to 3rd September, 1939, was used for War purposes. (b) Subject to revision. The allocation between War and Other Purposes is not yet available.

NOTE.—For a summary of loan liability, War (1939-45), as at 30th September, 1946, see following table.

**COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT, AND INTEREST PAYABLE
AT 30th SEPTEMBER, 1946.**

Debt on Account of—	Australia.	London.	New York.	Total.
Commonwealth—	£'000 (Aust.)	£'000 (Stg.)	£'000 (a)	£'000 (b)
War (1914-19)	159,392	90,369	..	249,761
War (1939-45)(c)—				
Stock and Bonds	1,012,004	5,775	..	1,017,779
Advance Loan Subscrip- tions	33,016	..	..	33,016
National Savings Bonds..	1,792	..	..	1,792
National Savings Stamps	47	..	..	47
War Savings Certificates	56,434	..	..	56,434
War Savings Stamps ..	211	..	..	211
Treasury Bills—Internal	89,800	..	..	89,800
Bank ..	313,280	..	..	313,280
Total	1,506,584	5,775	..	1,512,359
Works and other Purposes	57,369	53,535	15,790	126,694
Total—Commonwealth Pur- poses	1,723,345	149,679	15,790	1,888,814
Per Head of Population(d)	£231 7 3	£20 1 11	£2 2 5	£253 11 7
State—				
Debts of the States ..	542,768	337,593	25,456	905,817
Per Head of Population(e)	£73 1 4	£45 9 0	£3 8 6	£121 18 10
Total Public Debt ..	2,266,113	487,272	41,246	2,794,631
Per Head of Population(d)	£304 4 8	£65 8 4	£5 10 9	£375 3 9

INTEREST PAYABLE.

Commonwealth—	£ (Aust.)	£ (Stg.)	£(a)	£(f)
War (1914-19)	5,990,733	(g) 395,968	..	6,386,701
War (1939-45)	38,313,238	231,000	..	38,544,238
Works and other Purposes	1,588,525	1,781,300	771,780	4,141,605
Total—Commonwealth Pur- poses	45,892,496	2,408,268	771,780	49,072,544
Average Rate per cent.(h)	£2 13 3	£3 8 10	£4 17 9	£2 14 3
State—				
Debts of the States ..	17,667,023	11,692,551	1,193,035	30,552,609
Average Rate per cent. (h) ..	£3 5 1	£3 9 3	£4 13 9	£3 7 6
Grand Total	63,559,519	14,100,819	1,964,815	79,625,153
Average Rate per cent.(h) ..	£2 16 1	£3 9 2	£4 15 3	£2 18 8

(a) Payable in terms of dollars. For the purpose of this table, dollars have been arbitrarily converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1 (Stg.). (b) The total "face" or "book" values of the Public Debt of the Commonwealth and States leaving out of account currency changes since the loans were floated. (c) Citizens' National Emergency loans are now included with Trust Funds. Internal Treasury Bills are issued against Trust Fund balances. (d) Based on estimated population of Australia (including A.C.T. and N.T.) at 30th June, 1946 (subject to revision). (e) Based on estimated aggregate population of the six States at 30th June, 1946 (subject to revision). (f) Nominal amount (and average rate) of interest payable—takes no account of exchange. (g) Excludes suspended interest £3,919,774 on War Debt (£79,724,000) due to British Government. (h) Overdue debt, War and National Savings Stamps and Debt due to British Government (see footnote (g)) excluded for calculating average rate.

COMMONWEALTH OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1946.

State.	Number of Pensioners at 30th June, 1946.			Number per 10,000 of Population.		Average Fortnightly Pension at 30th June, 1946.		Pensions Paid during 1945-46. (a)	
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Total Old-age and Invalid.	Old-age.	Invalid.	Old-age.	Invalid.	Amount.	Per head of Popn. (b)
New South Wales(c)	108,685	28,255	136,940	370	96	s. d. 62 9	s. d. 63 7	£ 11,225,455	s. d. 76 8
Victoria ..	69,308	13,599	82,907	341	67	62 6	63 0	6,822,535	67 6
Queensland ..	34,808	9,807	44,615	319	90	62 11	63 6	3,661,205	67 5
South Australia(d)	23,565	4,836	28,401	367	75	61 4	62 8	2,334,584	73 4
Western Australia	18,797	3,538	22,335	380	72	61 7	62 9	1,860,547	75 8
Tasmania ..	9,663	2,833	12,496	385	113	62 1	63 6	1,058,094	84 10
Total ..	264,826	62,868	327,694	356	84	62 6	63 4	26,962,420	72 9

(a) Includes amounts paid to Benevolent Asylums and Hospitals for maintenance of pensioners and to pensioner inmates of these institutions and allowances to wives of invalid pensioners. (b) Based on mean population for the financial year. (c) Includes A.C.T. (d) Includes N.T.

COMMONWEALTH OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS SUMMARY.

Year ended 30th June—	Number of Pensioners.			Number of Pensioners in each 10,000 of Population.(a)		Pensions Payments during Year. (b)	Average Fortnightly Pension at 30th June.
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Total.	Old-age.	Invalid.		
1911 ..	75,502	7,451	82,953	168	17	£ 1,847,440	s. d. 19 1
1912 ..	79,071	10,763	89,834	170	23	2,149,659	19 0
1913 ..	82,943	13,739	96,682	172	29	2,301,675	19 6
1914 ..	87,780	16,865	104,645	177	34	2,592,201	19 5
1915 ..	90,892	20,417	111,309	182	41	2,718,939	19 5
1916 ..	91,783	23,439	115,222	186	47	2,891,597	19 4
1917 ..	93,672	26,781	120,453	190	54	3,554,135	24 3
1918 ..	95,387	29,912	125,299	190	59	3,793,037	24 3
1919 ..	95,969	31,999	127,968	185	62	3,936,626	24 2
1920 ..	99,170	35,231	134,401	185	66	4,484,304	29 1
1921 ..	102,415	37,981	140,396	188	69	5,150,241	28 9
1922 ..	105,096	39,019	144,115	189	70	5,380,034	28 9
1923 ..	107,389	40,064	147,453	189	70	5,424,016	28 9
1924 ..	113,954	42,617	155,671	195	73	6,523,881	33 9
1925 ..	117,516	44,840	162,356	198	75	6,992,905	33 8
1926 ..	126,918	48,803	175,721	210	80	8,252,387	38 7
1927 ..	133,234	52,399	185,633	215	85	9,144,589	38 6
1928 ..	139,367	55,517	194,884	221	88	9,790,346	38 5
1929 ..	145,393	59,148	204,541	227	93	10,124,239	38 5
1930 ..	155,196	63,304	218,500	240	98	10,791,325	38 5
1931 ..	172,177	68,343	240,520	264	104	11,710,953	38 4
1932 ..	183,317	72,292	255,609	279	110	11,125,956	33 3
1933 ..	176,425	72,742	249,167	266	110	10,771,061	31 10
1934 ..	187,453	73,212	260,665	281	109	10,963,090	33 8
1935 ..	197,126	76,852	273,978	293	114	11,762,030	33 7
1936 ..	206,748	80,487	287,235	305	119	12,797,726	34 8
1937 ..	215,690	83,366	299,056	316	122	13,998,793	36 8
1938 ..	224,154	86,096	310,250	325	125	15,798,687	38 6
1939 ..	232,836	88,812	321,648	335	128	15,991,782	38 5
1940(d) ..	272,896	58,696	331,592	388	84	16,459,245	38 6
1941 ..	276,760	58,921	335,681	390	83	17,366,365	(c) 41 5
1942 ..	275,456	60,597	336,053	386	85	19,257,025	(c) 48 4
1943 ..	267,239	58,081	325,320	371	81	22,292,835	(c) 51 1
1944 ..	257,186	57,942	315,128	352	79	21,699,100	(c) 51 11
1945 ..	252,634	58,281	310,915	342	79	21,701,127	51 5
1946 ..	264,826	62,868	327,694	356	84	26,962,420	(c) 62 8

(a) At 30th June. (b) Includes payments to Benevolent Asylums and Hospitals for maintenance of pensioners, and to pensioner inmates of these institutions, and from 1943-44 includes allowances to wives of invalid pensioners. (c) Increases, including retail price adjustment, since December, 1940, are as follows: 2s. December, 1940; 1s. April, 1941; 4s. December 1941; 1s. April, 1942; 2s. July, 1942; 1s. October, 1942; 1s. January, 1943; 1s. April, 1943; 1s. August, 1943; 11s. July, 1945. Rate £3 5s. Od. from 5th July, 1945. On 6th April, 1944, adjustment provision made on retail price index-numbers was abolished. (d) At 30th June, all invalid pensioners qualified for old-age pensions by age and residence were transferred to the old-age pensions list.

COMMONWEALTH CHILD ENDOWMENT AT 30th JUNE, 1946.

State.	Claims in Force.	Endowed Children. (a)	Number per 10,000 of population.		Amount paid during 1945-46.	
			Claims.	Endowed Children.	Amount.	Per head of Population. (b)
	No.	No.			£	s. d.
New South Wales (c) ..	211,946	375,395	721	1,277	7,076,691	48 4
Victoria ..	135,377	229,982	667	1,132	4,464,619	44 2
Queensland ..	83,043	156,426	761	1,433	3,009,239	55 5
South Australia (d) ..	44,509	75,175	694	1,171	1,427,167	44 10
Western Australia ..	39,114	69,325	792	1,403	1,285,062	52 3
Tasmania ..	19,830	39,239	790	1,563	756,400	60 8
Total 1945-46 ..	533,819	945,542	717	1,269	18,019,178	48 7
1944-45 ..	518,293	920,427	702	1,246	12,036,249	32 9

(a) Excludes endowed children in approved institutions—18,989 in 342 institutions at 30th June, 1946; 18,116 in 335 institutions at 30th June, 1945. (b) Based on mean population for the financial year.

(c) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(d) Includes Northern Territory.

NOTE.—From 1st July, 1941, the scheme provided for payment of 5s. per week (increased to 7s. 6d. per week from 26th June, 1945) for each child in excess of one under sixteen years of age maintained in a family, and for each child under sixteen years of age in an approved institution.

COMMONWEALTH WIDOWS' PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1946.(a)

State.	Pensions Current.(b)		Children for whom Pensions Payable.	Average Four-weekly rate of Pension.	Pensions paid during 1945-46.	
	Number.	Per 10,000 of Population.			Amount.	Per head of Population.(c)
			No.	£ s. d.	£	s. d.
New South Wales (d) ..	17,355	59	7,096	5 18 8	1,295,240	8 10
Victoria ..	12,748	63	3,565	5 8 11	899,747	8 11
Queensland ..	6,363	58	2,446	5 15 6	484,551	8 11
South Australia (e) ..	3,656	57	1,082	5 9 8	251,523	7 11
Western Australia ..	2,870	58	891	5 10 4	202,625	8 3
Tasmania ..	1,595	64	627	5 14 11	113,647	9 1
Total 1945-46 ..	44,587	60	15,707	5 14 0	3,247,338	8 9
1944-45 ..	44,155	60	15,284	5 6 1	2,965,446	8 1

(a) The Commonwealth Government commenced to pay Widows' Pensions from 1st July, 1942.

(b) Excludes ten (1945-46) and nine (1944-45) pensions in respect of pensioners in Benevolent Asylums.

(c) Based on mean population for the financial year.

(d) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(e) Includes Northern Territory.

COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCES.

Number and Amount of Claims Paid.

(The Maternity Allowance Act came into force on 10th October, 1912.)

Year ended 30th June—	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	Australia.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	£
1939 ..	30,860	20,819	12,880	7,162	5,213	3,940	42	80,916	436,614
1941 ..	28,540	19,150	12,481	6,831	4,775	3,877	38	75,692	407,533
1942 ..	24,481	16,120	12,113	5,724	4,320	3,620	13	66,391	358,538
1943 ..	19,182	11,874	9,651	4,197	4,025	3,018	9	51,956	281,052
1944 (b) ..	57,792	38,653	23,743	12,636	10,439	5,804	(c)	149,067	2,287,000
1945 ..	61,755	40,582	26,432	14,361	10,909	5,582	(c)	159,621	2,542,801
1946 ..	60,730	40,991	25,281	13,736	9,912	5,796	(c)	156,446	2,492,495
Total since 10.10.12	1,521,426	1,001,314	582,843	335,414	246,985	163,961	1,124	3,853,067	24,037,241

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) From 1st July, 1943, the income limit was abolished. From 5th April, 1944, the allowances payable were as follows: (i) no other children under 16 years £5; (ii) one or two other children under 16 years £6; (iii) three or more other children under 16 years £7 10s. An allowance of £1 5s. per week is payable for the four weeks immediately before and after birth of child and is increased to £1 17s. 6d. per week when twins are born and to £2 10s. per week when triplets are born. (c) Included with South Australia.

UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS.

For particulars of persons on benefit and benefits paid see page 70.

AUSTRALIAN WAR AND SERVICE PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1946.

(i) War Pensions.

Place of Payment.	NUMBER OF WAR PENSIONERS.				AVERAGE FORTNIGHTLY RATE OF PENSIONS.		
	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependents of Deceased Members of Forces.	Dependents of Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Total.	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependents of Deceased and Incapacitated Members of Forces.	All War Pensioners.
New South Wales(a) ..	53,744	16,540	68,305	138,589	£ s. d. 1 17 1	£ s. d. 1 2 0	£ s. d. 1 7 10
Victoria ..	36,020	13,157	43,849	93,026	2 0 7	1 5 6	1 11 4
Queensland ..	15,681	4,782	19,949	40,412	1 19 10	1 2 3	1 9 1
South Australia (b) ..	11,122	3,789	14,387	29,298	2 0 11	1 3 3	1 9 11
Western Australia ..	14,016	4,307	19,598	37,921	1 17 0	1 0 8	1 6 9
Tasmania ..	5,352	1,575	7,576	14,503	2 15 4	1 2 6	1 14 7
United Kingdom ..	1,483	1,571	1,799	4,853	2 13 1	2 1 2	2 4 10
Elsewhere ..	319	139	330	788	2 5 5	1 14 9	1 19 1
Total 1945-46 ..	137,737	45,860	175,793	359,390	1 19 6	1 3 3	1 9 5
1944-45 ..	106,746	37,825	136,508	281,079	2 3 8	1 4 11	1 12 1

(ii) Service Pensions.

Particulars.	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust. (b)	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Pensions Current—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Old-age (Members of Forces) ..	1,913	1,275	776	434	486	87	4,971
Permanently Unemployable—							
Members of Forces	1,045	943	759	476	463	210	3,896
Dependants ..	981	997	619	439	407	190	3,633
Sufferers from Pulmonary Tuberculosis—							
Members of Forces	111	78	13	17	19	6	244
Dependants ..	153	109	17	23	28	15	345
Total 1945-46 ..	4,203	3,402	2,184	1,389	1,403	508	13,089
1944-45 ..	4,019	3,293	2,119	1,255	1,343	537	12,566
Average Fortnightly Pensions—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Members of Forces ..	2 15 10	2 16 0	2 17 6	2 17 9	2 12 10	2 14 11	2 16 0
Dependants ..	1 16 1	1 16 8	1 16 7	1 18 2	1 16 10	1 14 8	1 16 7
All Pensioners 1945-46 ..	2 10 6	2 9 9	2 11 5	2 11 3	2 7 10	2 6 9	2 10 1
1944-45 ..	2 1 6	2 0 8	2 2 5	2 1 8	1 18 9	1 18 9	2 1 1

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

AUSTRALIAN WAR AND SERVICE PENSIONS EXPENDITURE.

Place of Payment.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.	1945-46.
(i) War Pensions.						
New South Wales(a) ..	£ 2,560,477	£ 2,576,241	£ 2,897,870	£ 3,661,182	£ 4,068,399	£ 4,874,706
Victoria ..	2,252,227	2,255,233	2,497,300	3,022,522	3,245,026	3,640,063
Queensland ..	853,757	846,584	943,691	1,177,089	1,291,869	1,466,574
South Australia(b) ..	485,919	494,166	575,168	763,350	851,527	1,049,768
Western Australia ..	671,457	668,617	752,885	941,924	1,052,734	1,264,951
Tasmania ..	396,814	393,406	434,228	523,675	551,350	624,354
Elsewhere ..	267,880	267,664	265,854	258,867	336,480	337,801
Total ..	7,488,531	7,501,911	8,366,996	10,348,609	11,397,385	13,258,217
Includes (War) 1939-45 ..	18,772	207,324	659,384	1,730,471	2,763,796	4,903,409

(ii) Service Pensions.

New South Wales(a) ..	£ 162,935	£ 185,315	£ 218,173	£ 216,001	£ 199,535	£ 253,274
Victoria ..	126,975	140,916	163,116	163,377	169,716	206,276
Queensland ..	88,088	106,120	119,032	113,143	113,847	141,965
South Australia(b) ..	57,758	60,105	61,953	63,525	66,651	85,803
Western Australia ..	55,783	64,652	73,503	72,096	72,158	86,339
Tasmania ..	19,564	22,548	24,332	24,392	27,089	31,223
Total ..	511,103	579,656	660,109	652,534	648,996	804,680
Includes (War) 1939-45 ..	..	..	2,314	6,403	7,528	11,372

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

COMMONWEALTH INCOME TAX, 1944-45.(a)

Grade of Taxable Income.	Number of Taxpayers.	Tax Assessed.	Amount per Taxpayer.	Percentage on Total Tax Assessed.
Individuals—	No.	£	£ s. d.	%
Under £201	493,155	1,241,938	2 10 4	1.3
£201 to £500	1,249,567	14,727,845	11 15 9	15.4
£501 to £1,000	243,225	8,970,648	36 17 8	9.3
£1,001 and over	66,906	15,886,210	237 8 10	16.6
Total Individuals	2,052,853	40,826,641	19 17 9	42.6
Companies	15,991	(b) 54,940,670	3,435 14 6	57.4
GRAND TOTAL .. ..	..	95,767,311	..	100.0

(a) Assessed on income for year 1943-44. Only 25 per cent. of the net tax assessed to individuals was levied this year due to the introduction of the pay-as-you-earn system. (b) Includes Super Tax, £3,803,580, War-time (Company) Tax, £4,389,683, and Undistributed Profits Taxes, £4,277,386.

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX ASSESSMENTS.

Heading.	Assessment Year—				
	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
NUMBER OF TAXPAYERS—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Resident Owners	21,028	20,956	21,395	21,959	21,921
Absentee Owners	2,584	2,559	2,365	2,562	2,450
TOTAL	23,612	23,515	23,760	24,521	24,371
UNIMPROVED VALUE OF LAND AS RETURNED BY OWNERS—	£	£	£	£	£
Resident	225,774,692	228,207,419	234,273,013	244,512,737	244,222,515
Absentee	1,999,905	2,047,766	1,892,564	1,685,096	1,444,489
TOTAL	227,774,597	230,255,185	236,165,577	246,197,833	245,667,004
UNIMPROVED VALUE AS ASCERTAINED BY DEPARTMENT—					
Resident	257,346,942	257,277,026	272,109,061	277,242,136	275,288,688
Absentee	2,167,995	2,196,814	2,080,107	1,991,916	1,580,307
TOTAL	259,514,937	259,473,840	274,189,168	279,234,052	276,868,995
TAX ASSESSED ON—					
Urban Land—Resident Owners ..	924,749	1,045,591	1,195,246	2,453,928	2,897,198
Absentee Owners	10,082	10,673	11,324	20,509	20,393
TOTAL	934,831	1,056,264	1,206,570	2,474,437	2,917,531
Rural Land—Resident Owners ..	339,487	372,713	388,763	784,293	889,928
Absentee Owners	3,267	3,342	4,248	6,113	5,204
TOTAL	342,754	376,055	393,011	790,406	895,132
All Land—Resident Owners ..	1,264,236	1,418,304	1,584,009	3,238,221	3,787,126
Absentee Owners	13,349	14,015	15,572	26,622	25,537
TOTAL	1,277,585	1,432,319	1,599,581	3,264,843	3,812,663
AREA OF RURAL LAND ASSESSED ac.	457,636,000	456,695,994	456,131,125	463,556,163	462,701,713
ASSESSED TAX ON RURAL LAND per ac.	1.427d.	1.592d.	1.680d.	2.985d.	3.426d.

(a) Excludes Crown Leaseholds.

NOTE.—Figures for later years have not been compiled.

COMMONWEALTH ESTATE DUTY, 1945-46.

Grade of Dutiable Value.	Number of Estates.(a)	Gross Value as Assessed.	Dutiable Value.	Net Duty Payable.
£	No.	£	£	£
1-1,000	3,097	6,953,339	1,240,061	37,299
1,001-2,000	1,617	5,607,864	2,353,728	70,374
2,001-3,000	964	4,402,367	2,362,885	71,036
3,001-4,000	691	3,917,514	2,389,599	71,363
4,001-5,000	494	3,331,682	2,211,764	66,150
5,001-10,000	1,194	11,292,858	8,338,163	250,067
10,001-20,000	788	13,883,974	11,129,413	488,834
20,001-50,000	376	13,749,311	11,088,683	919,203
50,001 and over	96	11,515,306	8,982,063	1,837,518
Total	9,317	74,154,215	50,096,359	3,811,844

(a) Number of estates assessed during year 1945-46.

COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.—Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods and Sales Tax payable—Australia.(a)

Period.	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.(b)	Taxable Sales.(b)				Sales Tax Payable. (b)
		7½ per cent.(c)	12½ per cent.(d)	25 per cent.(d)	Total.	
1943-44.						
September Quarter	£'000. 152,438	£'000. 11,909	£'000. 35,108	£'000. 7,356	£'000. 54,373	£'000. 7,118
December	150,573	14,079	32,064	8,587	54,730	7,210
March	145,587	13,147	31,293	6,941	51,321	6,625
June	151,072	14,326	32,543	6,919	53,788	6,871
Total Year	605,670	53,461	130,948	29,803	214,212	27,824
1944-45.						
July	£'000. 51,212	£'000. 5,051	£'000. 11,359	£'000. 2,729	£'000. 19,139	£'000. 2,481
August	56,640	6,167	12,255	2,936	21,358	2,726
September	54,499	5,644	11,091	2,818	19,553	2,514
Total September Quarter ..	162,351	16,862	34,705	8,483	60,050	7,721
October	54,955	5,445	10,773	3,066	19,284	2,521
November	54,451	5,272	11,354	3,134	19,760	2,597
December	51,470	5,042	10,224	3,064	18,330	2,422
Total December Quarter ..	160,876	15,759	32,351	9,264	57,374	7,540
January	46,794	4,046	10,217	2,418	16,681	2,185
February	49,074	5,529	10,544	2,806	18,879	2,434
March	52,748	6,292	11,816	2,829	20,937	2,656
Total March Quarter ..	148,616	15,867	32,577	8,053	56,497	7,275
April	47,909	5,464	10,321	2,570	18,355	2,342
May	54,639	5,642	11,458	2,854	19,954	2,569
June	52,752	5,155	11,293	2,607	19,055	2,450
Total June Quarter ..	155,300	16,261	33,072	8,031	57,364	7,361
Total Year	627,143	64,749	132,705	33,831	231,285	29,897
1945-46.						
July	£'000. 54,172	£'000. 5,590	£'000. 11,844	£'000. 2,989	£'000. 20,423	£'000. 2,647
August	55,135	6,032	11,388	3,044	20,464	2,637
September	53,279	6,061	11,133	2,946	20,140	2,583
Total September Quarter ..	162,586	17,683	34,365	8,979	61,027	7,867
October	55,429	6,023	11,753	3,173	20,949	2,714
November	56,772	6,291	12,121	3,849	22,261	2,949
December	49,025	5,153	11,098	3,154	19,405	2,562
Total December Quarter ..	161,226	17,467	34,972	10,176	62,615	8,225
January	48,641	4,748	11,096	2,589	18,433	2,390
February	53,573	6,813	13,643	3,194	23,650	3,015
March	62,230	7,945	15,070	3,556	26,571	3,368
Total March Quarter ..	164,444	19,506	39,809	9,339	68,654	8,773
April	57,684	7,154	14,470	3,050	24,674	3,108
May	65,616	7,879	16,856	3,074	27,809	3,466
June(e)	56,700	6,200	14,500	2,400	23,100	2,878
Total June Quarter(e) ..	180,000	21,233	45,826	8,524	75,583	9,452
Total Year(e)	668,256	75,389	154,972	37,018	267,879	34,317

(a) From information obtained from returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trade and exclude sales of vendors trading only in exempt goods. They also do not necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade.

(b) Includes Taxable Imports and Tax collected at Customs House. (c) From 21st July, 1943, rationed clothing, &c., was reduced from 12½ per cent. to 7½ per cent. From 15th November, 1946, it was again exempted. (d) The rates 12½ per cent. and 25 per cent. came into operation on 1st May, 1942. From 15th November, 1946, the rate of 12½ per cent. was reduced to 10 per cent. (e) Partly estimated—subject to revision.

(B.) STATE FINANCE.

NOTE.—In respect of New South Wales the Consolidated Revenue Fund and Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses, Sydney Harbour Trust Section of Maritime Services Board and Road Transport and Traffic Fund—included in the Annual Budget Papers are represented in the following tables. Adjustments have been made to the Budget figures, however, in order to obviate duplications within the combined accounts for 1944-45 and also when compared with those of earlier years. A deduction of £800,000 has thus been made from the Budget Revenue total of £75,013,299, and from the Expenditure total of £74,045,272. Particulars for other States are restricted to the transactions of the Consolidated Revenue Fund. In South Australia the Special Grant received under section 6 of the *State Grants (Income Tax Reimbursement) Act 1942* (£553,000) has been excluded, as this grant was not paid until after 30th June, 1945.

STATE REVENUES, 1944-45.

Sources of Revenue.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.(a)	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Taxation (b) ..	6,082	4,295	2,331	1,911	(c) 942	921	16,482
Railways ..	31,577	15,590	13,683	(d) 5,521	4,271	..	70,642
Tramways (e) ..	5,790	(f) 129	..	..	510	..	6,429
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings	1,993	2,599	..	2,151	2,078	4	8,825
Land ..	1,654	938	1,640	241	349	91	4,913
Interest n.e.l. ..	421	1,474	899	875	463	450	4,582
Commonwealth Payments (g) ..	17,908	8,923	6,830	(h) 4,193	3,964	1,925	43,743
All other Sources ..	8,788	1,325	1,064	668	1,377	266	13,488
Total Revenue ..	74,213	35,273	26,447	15,560	13,954	3,657	169,104
Total Revenue per head (i) ..	£ s. d. 25 15 1	£ s. d. 17 12 2	£ s. d. 24 14 0	£ s. d. 24 17 11	£ s. d. 28 12 7	£ s. d. 14 17 0	£ s. d. 23 2 5

Year ended 30th June—

STATE REVENUES 1938-39 AND 1941-42 TO 1944-45.

	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1939 ..	51,710	26,985	19,330	12,304	10,950	3,615	124,894
1942 ..	65,866	33,112	23,663	15,002	11,940	(a) 3,359	152,942
1943 ..	71,534	36,490	29,284	15,192	13,152	(a) 3,290	168,942
1944 ..	72,471	35,544	28,968	15,545	13,589	(a) 3,499	169,616
1945 ..	74,213	35,273	26,447	15,560	13,954	(a) 3,657	169,104

STATE EXPENDITURES, 1944-45.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.(a)	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Interest and Charges on Public Debt ..	19,663	8,432	6,617	5,341	4,644	1,333	46,030
Railways ..	24,544	12,427	11,227	4,881	3,653	5	56,737
Tramways (e) ..	5,518	..	..	..	392	..	5,910
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings	1,019	1,579	1	961	1,088	(j) 259	4,907
Education ..	6,645	3,976	2,134	1,331	1,018	589	15,693
Hospitals ..	3,228	1,813	784	706	431	255	7,217
Other Charities ..	1,557	760	753	192	238	125	3,625
All other Expenditure	11,071	5,937	(k) 4,362	2,701	2,485	1,110	27,666
Total Expenditure	73,245	34,924	25,878	16,113	13,949	3,676	167,785
Total Expenditure per head (i) ..	£ s. d. 25 8 4	£ s. d. 17 8 8	£ s. d. 24 3 5	£ s. d. 25 15 7	£ s. d. 28 12 5	£ s. d. 14 18 6	£ s. d. 22 18 10

Year ended 30th June—

STATE EXPENDITURES 1938-39 AND 1941-42 TO 1944-45.

	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1939 ..	54,169	27,773	19,316	12,701	11,170	3,641	128,770
1942 ..	64,980	32,320	23,599	13,712	11,939	(a) 3,357	149,907
1943 ..	70,392	35,736	29,182	14,960	13,127	(a) 3,400	166,797
1944 ..	71,288	34,924	28,854	15,529	13,551	(a) 3,469	167,615
1945 ..	73,245	34,924	25,878	16,113	13,949	(a) 3,676	167,785

(a) Excludes particulars of transport services, now under control of Transport Commission. Motor taxation collections are also now paid to the Commission's Fund. (b) For total receipts from various forms of taxation, Commonwealth and State, 1944-45, see p. 57. (c) Excludes Commonwealth reimbursements. (d) Includes £120,000 of Commonwealth Grant taken direct to Railway Revenue. (e) Includes Omnibuses. (f) Contribution to Revenue by Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways. (g) Includes Commonwealth Income and Entertainment tax reimbursements. (h) Excludes Special Grant under section 6 of the *State Grants (Income Tax Reimbursement) Act 1942*. (i) Based on mean population for the financial year. (j) Losses of Transport Commission. (k) Includes £200,000 transferred to Post-war Reconstruction Fund. An additional £350,000 is included in Railway expenditure.

STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR 1944-45.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Works—							
Railways ..	1,186	56	472	409	69	143	2,335
Tramways (b) ..	Cr. 308	..	..	Cr. 50	1	..	Cr. 357
Roads and Bridges ..	Cr. 43	Cr. 21	85	Cr. 17	..	..	..
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..	115	Cr. 4	63	31	31	29	269
Water Supply and Sewerage ..	54	290	38	389	59	..	830
Electricity Supply ..	115	..	..	..	5	240	360
Public Buildings ..	283	816	329	138	120	97	1,783
Unemployment Relief ..	Cr. 376	Cr. 176	..	..	..	..	Cr. 552
Other Public Works, &c. (c) ..	583	743	Cr. 286	486	116	100	1,742
Primary Production—							
Land Settlement (d) ..	Cr. 25	Cr. 2	Cr. 77	Cr. 125	Cr. 95	Cr. 154	Cr. 478
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	130	..	Cr. 13	Cr. 5	16	..	128
Other ..	9	291	Cr. 80	63	174	Cr. 7	450
Other purposes ..	..	90	Cr. 100	Cr. 336	51	..	Cr. 295
Total Works, &c. ..	1,723	2,083	431	983	547	448	6,215
Per Head (e) ..	£ s. d. 0 11 11	£ s. d. 1 0 10	£ s. d. 0 8 1	£ s. d. 1 11 5	£ s. d. 1 2 5	£ s. d. 1 16 5	£ s. d. 0 17 0
Non-Works—							
Revenue, &c., Deficits ..	5,960	4,255	..	..	73	455	10,743
Other (f) ..	1,533	..	Cr. 4	5	Cr. 3	..	1,531
Grand Total ..	9,216	6,338	427	988	617	903	18,489

TOTAL STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1945.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)(g)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Works—							
Railways, Tramways (b) ..	167,917	79,759	67,285	40,186	27,158	7,917	390,222
Roads and Bridges ..	20,813	12,655	5,545	3,825	3,183	..	..
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..	22,480	1,408	3,566	8,578	7,545	7,326	96,924
Water Supply and Sewerage ..	41,039	32,332	980	23,122	14,964	..	112,437
Electricity Supply ..	2,680	17,839	..	1,930	8,070	..	30,519
Public Buildings ..	18,459	9,166	7,900	4,094	2,988	3,107	45,714
Unemployment Relief ..	16,634	13,147	..	..	(h)	333	30,114
Other Public Works, &c. (c) ..	12,149	4,438	26,336	8,210	3,188	3,838	58,159
Primary Production—							
Land Settlement (d) ..	12,277	44,779	5,514	11,248	17,529	2,622	93,969
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	19,540	..	1,954	9,207	3,902	..	34,603
Other ..	7,836	6,162	7,967	2,229	14,480	19	38,693
Other purposes ..	89	302	124	3,707	3,663	..	7,885
Total Works ..	341,913	221,987	127,171	114,406	100,530	33,232	939,239
Non-Works—							
Revenue, &c., Deficits ..	38,990	9,119	5,826	8,669	12,115	1,581	76,300
Other (f) ..	19,695	5,894	11,337	1,277	4,166	1,597	43,966
Grand Total ..	400,598	237,000	144,334	124,352	116,811	36,410	1,059,505

(a) Expenditure from Loan Fund and on account of Loans; includes expenditure from Loan Funds from Treasurer's Advance Account and from State Loans Repayment Fund. (b) Includes Omnibuses. (c) Includes Loans to Local Bodies, Housing, &c. (d) Includes Advances to Settlers, and Soldier Land Settlement. (e) Based on mean population for the financial year. (f) Discount and flotation expenses, exchange on remittances, &c. (g) Aggregate Gross Loan Expenditure. (h) Not available separately—distributed over individual items.

STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE, 1946.

State.	Public Debt.				Interest Payable.			
	Aus- tralia.	London.	New York.	Total.	In Aus- tralia.	In London.	In New York.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
	Aust.	Stg.	(a)	(b)	Aust.	Stg.	(a)	(c)
New South Wales ..	197,198	144,675	11,367	353,240	6,133	5,188	549	11,870
Victoria ..	119,070	56,159	4,498	179,727	4,022	1,874	221	6,117
Queensland ..	76,442	51,582	5,271	133,295	2,562	1,795	279	4,636
South Australia ..	71,184	37,831	1,734	110,749	2,381	1,273	87	3,741
Western Australia ..	55,878	39,032	2,016	96,926	1,813	1,308	100	3,221
Tasmania ..	22,873	8,314	227	31,414	735	295	12	1,042
Total ..	542,645	337,593	25,113	905,351	17,646	11,733	1,248	30,627

(a) Payable in terms of dollars. For the purposes of this table dollars have been arbitrarily converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £ Stg. 1. (b) The total "face" or "book" value of the State Public Debt leaving out of account currency changes since the loans were floated. (c) Nominal amount of interest payable—takes no account of exchange.

(C.) COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE.

(TABLES ON THIS PAGE ARE PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY EACH TREASURY.)

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

Government of—	Three Months ended September—					
	1945-46.			1946-47.		
	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Surplus (+) or Deficit (—).	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Surplus (+) or Deficit (—).
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales(a) ..	14,913	16,104	— 1,191	17,554	17,259	+ 295
Victoria ..	6,241	8,130	— 1,889	7,998	8,620	— 622
Queensland ..	5,282	5,854	— 572	5,709	6,481	— 772
South Australia ..	3,006	3,989	— 983	3,640	4,018	— 378
Western Australia ..	3,093	3,479	— 386	3,354	3,573	— 219
Tasmania ..	785	711	+ 74	976	830	+ 146
Six States ..	33,320	38,267	— 4,947	39,231	40,781	— 1,550
Commonwealth ..	89,406	89,406	..	93,381	93,381	..
Grand Total(b) ..	115,432	120,379	— 4,947	121,599	123,149	— 1,550

(a) Excludes Main Roads Department and recoups of interest, &c., from undertakings outside the Budget. (b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals exclude payments by the Commonwealth to the States of compensation in respect of uniform taxation, interest on States' debts and special grants; also deductions have been made of pay-roll tax payments by State Governments to the Commonwealth Government.

REVENUE FROM COMMONWEALTH PAYMENTS AND TAXATION AND EXPENDITURE ON ADMINISTRATION, ETC.

Government of—	Revenue from Commonwealth Payments.(a)		Revenue from Taxation.(b)		Expenditure—			
					Administration, Works and Social Services.		Debt Services.	
	Three Months ended September—							
	1945-46.	1946-47.	1945-46.	1946-47.	1945-46.	1946-47.	1945-46.	1946-47.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000
New South Wales ..	2,032	4,236	1,756	1,885	4,939	5,889	3,742	3,536
Victoria ..	1,357	2,265	903	1,307	2,932	3,363	2,172	1,954
Queensland ..	964	1,587	510	612	1,664	2,033	1,699	2,085
South Australia ..	656	1,215	373	423	1,066	1,188	1,493	1,366
Western Australia ..	842	1,024	215	235	987	1,147	1,208	1,144
Tasmania ..	359	468	225	289	416	525	273	275
Six States ..	6,210	10,795	3,982	4,751	12,004	14,145	10,587	10,360
Commonwealth ..	..	..	80,219	84,134	c 62,041	c 58,196	14,011	14,655
Grand Total ..	6,210	10,795	84,201	88,885	74,045	72,341	24,598	25,015

(a) Includes amounts received in accordance with the Financial Agreement, 1927, with Special State Grants and with the Income and Entertainments Tax Reimbursement Acts, 1942. (b) Includes arrears of State income tax as State collections.

(c) Excludes Territories, payments to States under Financial Agreement and other Acts and assistance to Primary Producers. Includes Defence and War Services (excluding interest, &c., charges), 1945-46, £45,363,000; 1946-47, £33,738,000.

BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS.(a)

Government of—	Revenue.				Expenditure.			
	Three Months ended September—							
	1945-46.		1946-47.		1945-46.		1946-47.	
	Rail-way.	Other.	Rail-way.	Other.	Rail-way.	Other.	Rail-way.	Other.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales ..	7,660	2,006	7,716	1,884	5,869	1,554	6,264	1,570
Victoria(b) ..	3,354	43	3,718	27	2,962	64	3,252	51
Queensland(c) ..	3,030	..	2,659	..	2,491	..	2,363	..
South Australia ..	1,252	319	1,151	351	1,190	240	1,222	242
Western Australia ..	990	630	1,023	506	920	364	1,007	275
Tasmania ..	..	..	..	..	22	..	(d) 30	..
Six States ..	16,286	2,998	16,267	2,768	13,454	2,222	14,138	2,138
Commonwealth ..	416	(e) 6,994	353	(e) 7,231	427	(e) 4,402	284	(e) 5,044
Grand Total ..	16,702	9,992	16,620	9,999	13,881	6,624	14,422	7,182

(a) Excludes Interest, &c., charges. (b) Railways and State Coal-mine only.

(c) Railways only. (d) Expenditure on account of losses by Transport Commission.

(e) Postmaster-General's Department.

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE, 1945-46.(a)

State, &c.	Customs and Excise.	Income Taxes. (b)	Land Tax.	Probate and Succession Duties.	Other Stamp Duties (n.e.i.).	Motor Taxes.	Entertainments (including Racing). (b)	All other Taxes.	Total Taxes.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales ..	..	472	2	3,317	1,654	2,618	882	819	9,764
Victoria ..	..	86	321	1,825	1,071	1,847	878	499	6,527
Queensland ..	..	65	375	891	739	961	172	459	3,662
South Australia ..	..	53	289	557	288	651	161	72	2,071
Western Australia ..	..	46	111	262	293	391	207	136	1,446
Tasmania ..	..	25	91	213	95	248	84	635	1,391
Total States ..	..	747	1,189	7,065	4,140	6,716	2,384	2,620	24,861
Commonwealth ..	77,961	214,594	3,782	3,880	..	..	5,070	47,924	353,211
Grand Total ..	77,961	215,341	4,971	10,945	4,140	6,716	7,454	50,544	378,072

PER HEAD OF POPULATION.(c)

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
New South Wales ..	..	0 3 3	..	1 2 9	0 11 4	0 18 0	0 6 1	0 5 8	3 7 1
Victoria ..	..	0 0 19	0 3 2	0 18 1	0 10 8	0 18 3	0 8 8	0 4 11	3 4 7
Queensland ..	..	0 1 2	0 6 11	0 16 5	0 13 7	0 17 9	0 3 2	0 8 5	3 7 5
South Australia ..	..	0 1 8	0 9 2	0 17 8	0 9 1	1 0 7	0 5 1	0 2 3	3 5 6
Western Australia ..	..	0 1 10	0 4 6	0 10 8	0 11 11	0 15 11	0 8 5	0 5 6	2 18 9
Tasmania ..	..	0 2 0	0 7 3	0 17 0	0 7 8	0 19 10	0 6 9	2 11 0	5 11 6
Total States ..	..	0 2 0	0 3 3	0 19 1	0 11 2	0 18 2	0 6 6	0 7 1	3 7 3
Commonwealth ..	10 10 4	28 19 0	0 10 2	0 10 6	..	..	0 13 8	6 9 3	47 12 11
Grand Total ..	10 10 4	29 1 0	0 13 5	1 9 6	0 11 2	0 18 1	1 0 1	6 16 5	51 0 0

(a) Preliminary. The following particulars include those amounts collected by State Governments and paid into Special Funds. The collections have been grouped according to the nature of the tax rather than the method of collection. See page 45 for details of Commonwealth Taxation. (b) Excludes payments by Commonwealth to States under Income and Entertainments Tax Reimbursement Acts, 1942. (c) Based on mean population for the financial year.

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE.

Year.	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.					Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Customs and Excise.	Income Tax.	Sales Tax.	Other.	Total.		
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1938-39 ..	47,633	11,883	9,308	5,287	74,111	50,507	124,618
1942-43 ..	64,878	141,027	28,846	22,474	257,225	(a) 26,329	283,554
1943-44 ..	67,292	183,799	27,909	24,752	303,752	(a) 21,314	325,066
1944-45 ..	67,177	215,534	29,672	25,612	337,995	(a) 22,111	360,106
1945-46 (c)	77,961	214,594	33,600	27,056	353,211	(a) 24,861	378,072

PER HEAD OF POPULATION.(b)

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1938-39 ..	6 17 6	1 14 4	1 6 10	0 15 4	10 14 0	7 6 2	17 19 9
1942-43 ..	9 0 5	19 12 2	4 0 3	3 2 5	35 15 3	(a) 3 13 5	39 8 6
1943-44 ..	9 5 5	25 6 6	3 16 11	3 8 2	41 17 0	(a) 2 18 11	44 15 9
1944-45 ..	9 3 2	29 7 9	4 0 11	3 9 11	46 1 9	(a) 3 0 6	49 2 0
1945-46 (c)	10 10 4	28 19 0	4 10 8	3 12 11	47 12 11	(a) 3 7 3	51 0 0

(a) Excludes payments by Commonwealth to States under Income and Entertainments Tax Reimbursement Acts 1942. (b) Based on mean population of the Commonwealth and of the six States for each financial year. (c) Preliminary, subject to revision.

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH REIMBURSEMENTS TO STATES AND STATE COLLECTIONS, 1945-46.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Commonwealth Reimbursements—							
Income Tax (a) ..	14,884	6,431	5,756	2,308	2,496	880	32,755
Entertainments Tax	161	373	..	97	98	37	766
Total	15,045	6,804	5,756	2,405	2,594	917	33,521
State Collections (b) ..	9,764	6,527	3,662	2,071	1,446	1,391	24,861
Grant Total ..	24,809	13,331	9,418	4,476	4,040	2,308	58,382
Per head of population	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	8 10 4	6 11 11	8 13 6	7 1 6	8 4 3	9 5 0	7 17 11

(a) Excludes additional financial assistance paid by Commonwealth under the State Grants (Income Tax Reimbursement) Act 1942. (b) Preliminary, subject to revision.

NET LOAN EXPENDITURE ON WORKS.

(PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY EACH TREASURY.)

Three months ended September—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total, Six States.	Commonwealth.(a)	Grand Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1945	612	124	147	(b)1,297	203	40	2,423	53,035	55,458
1946	979	695	205	519	304	269	2,971	14,681	17,652

(a) Includes expenditure on Defence and War Services. repatriated to Australia.

(b) Includes £1,265,000 Exchange on Debt

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT.

Particulars.		Where Redeemable.	At 30th June—				
			1939.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.
TOTAL DEBT.							
Commonwealth—			£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
War (1914-19)	Australia £A	175,194	166,531	164,628	159,317	159,398	
	London £Stg.	90,744	90,745	90,745	90,745	90,369	
War (1939-45)	Australia £A.	..	712,579	1,098,261	1,357,272	1,510,023	
	London £Stg.	..	18,129	6,122	6,122	5,775	
Works, &c. ..	Australia £A.	43,302	38,241	36,190	35,607	54,166	
	London £Stg.	72,097	64,884	64,362	64,112	53,535	
	New York £Stg.	15,914	15,790	15,790	15,790	15,790	
Total ..	Australia £A.	218,406	917,351	1,299,079	1,552,196	1,723,587	
	London £Stg.	162,841	173,758	161,229	160,979	149,679	
	New York £Stg.	15,914	15,790	15,790	15,790	15,790	
Total ..	..	397,251	1,106,899	1,476,098	1,728,965	1,889,056	
State ..	Australia £A.	485,180	494,115	491,840	514,278	542,645	
	London £Stg.	384,328	379,113	373,505	361,391	337,593	
	New York £Stg.	28,264	25,610	25,415	25,309	25,113	
Total ..	..	897,772	898,838	890,760	900,978	905,351	
Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	703,676	1,411,466	1,790,919	2,066,474	2,266,232	
	London £Stg.	547,169	552,871	534,734	522,370	487,272	
	New York £Stg.	44,178	41,400	41,205	41,099	40,903	
Total ..	..	1,295,023	2,005,737	2,366,858	2,629,943	2,794,407	

DEBT PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

Commonwealth—		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
		£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
War (1914-19)	Australia £A.	25	3 4	23	1 2	22	11 3	21	12 0	21	8 0
	London £Stg.	13	0 9	12	11 4	12	8 9	12	6 1	12	2 8
War (1939-45)	Australia £A.	..	..	98	13 2	150	10 7	183	19 11	202	14 6
	London £Stg.	..	..	2	10 2	0	16 10	0	16 7	0	15 6
Works, &c. ..	Australia £A.	6	4 5	5	5 11	4	19 2	4	16 6	7	5 5
	London £Stg.	10	7 1	8	19 8	8	16 5	8	13 10	7	3 9
	New York £Stg.	2	5 9	2	3 9	2	3 3	2	2 10	2	2 5
Total ..	Australia £A.	31	7 9	127	0 3	178	1 0	210	8 5	231	7 11
	London £Stg.	23	7 10	24	1 2	22	2 0	21	16 6	20	1 11
	New York £Stg.	2	5 9	2	3 9	2	3 3	2	2 10	2	2 5
Total ..	..	57	1 4	153	5 2	202	6 3	234	7 9	253	12 3
State ..	Australia £A.	69	17 8	68	11 11	67	11 10	69	18 1	73	1 0
	London £Stg.	55	7 2	52	12 7	51	6 7	49	2 6	45	8 11
	New York £Stg.	4	1 5	3	11 1	3	9 10	3	8 10	3	7 8
Total ..	..	129	6 3	124	15 7	122	8 3	122	9 5	121	17 7
Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	101	1 10	195	8 6	245	9 3	280	2 10	304	5 0
	London £Stg.	78	12 1	76	10 11	73	5 10	70	16 3	65	8 4
	New York £Stg.	6	6 11	5	14 8	5	12 11	5	11 5	5	9 10
Total ..	..	186	0 10	277	14 1	324	8 0	356	10 6	375	3 2

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT—continued.

Particulars.	Where Payable.	At 30th June—				
		1939.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.
INTEREST PAYABLE.						
Commonwealth ..	Australia £A.	£'000. 8,345	£'000. 25,145	£'000. 33,945	£'000. 40,047	£'000. 45,396
	London £Stg.(a)	3,403	3,290	3,277	3,271	2,408
	New York £Stg.	778	772	771	772	772
	Total(b) ..	12,526	29,207	37,993	44,090	48,576
State ..	Australia £A.	17,240	16,863	16,623	16,742	17,646
	London £Stg.	14,963	14,501	14,311	13,928	11,733
	New York £Stg.	1,441	1,272	1,263	1,258	1,248
	Total(b) ..	33,644	32,636	32,197	31,928	30,627
Grand Total, Commonwealth and State ..	Australia £A.	25,585	42,008	50,568	56,789	63,042
	London £Stg.(a)	18,366	17,791	17,588	17,199	14,141
	New York £Stg.	2,219	2,044	2,034	2,030	2,020
	Total(b) ..	46,170	61,843	70,190	76,018	79,203

AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST.

AVERAGE RATES OF INCREASE											
Commonwealth and State	Australia .. London(a) .. New York ..	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	
		3 12 9		2 19 9		2 16 8		2 15 1		2 15 8	
		3 18 7		3 17 3		3 17 4		3 17 9		3 9 5	
		5 0 6		4 18 9		4 18 9		4 18 9		4 18 9	
Total(c)	3 16 0		3 4 10		3 1 7		2 19 9		2 18 4	

(a) Excludes suspended interest (£3,919,774) on War Debt to British Government (£79,724,000). (b) The totals shown represent the nominal amount of interest, taking no account of exchange. (c) Based on the nominal amount of interest payable, taking no account of exchange.

SHORT-TERM DEBT.(a)

Debt.	Where Redeemable.	At 30th June—								At 30th Sept., 1946.
		1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.	
Commonwealth ..	Australia £A.	£'000. 4,220	£'000. 3,970	£'000. 1,750	£'000. 80,481	£'000. 259,250	£'000. 343,280	£'000. 343,280	£'000. 343,280	£'000. 316,560
	London £Stg.	4,220	3,970	3,720	3,470	3,220	2,970	2,720	2,470	2,470
State ..	Australia £A.	50,228	45,463	45,423	45,083	39,200	33,075	330	330	330
	London £Stg.	23,155	23,155	23,155	24,879	23,730	22,868	22,868	22,868	22,868
Total ..	Australia £A.	50,228	45,463	47,173	125,564	298,450	376,355	343,610	343,280	316,560
	London £Stg.	27,375	27,125	26,875	28,349	26,950	25,838	25,588	25,338	25,338

(a) Excludes Overdrafts and Internal Treasury Bills.

(D.) BANKING.

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS. (Includes Commonwealth Bank.)

Average for Quarters ended—	Deposits.			Advances. (c)	Government and Municipal Securities (including Treasury Bills).	Percentage Non-interest-bearing to Total Deposits (d)	Percentage Advances To Total Deposits. (d)
	Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest. (a)	Total. (b)				
June, 1939 ..	£'000. 140,225	£'000. 250,562	£'000. 390,787	£'000. 332,688	£'000. 93,820	% 35.9	% 85.1
" 1941 ..	189,643	268,408	458,051	330,535	142,928	41.4	68.9
" 1942 ..	227,076	255,646	482,722	323,850	198,429	47.0	64.0
" 1943 ..	314,609	301,820	616,429	291,680	352,250	51.0	45.1
" 1944 ..	385,681	308,812	694,493	270,864	399,090	55.6	37.2
Sept., 1944 ..	384,740	328,850	713,590	267,064	396,685	53.8	35.7
Dec., 1944 ..	399,264	324,108	723,372	253,361	410,149	55.4	33.3
Mar., 1945 ..	424,096	340,223	764,319	246,676	450,670	55.4	30.7
June, 1945 ..	431,868	330,573	762,441	251,705	443,490	57.6	31.4

(a) Includes Inscribed Deposit Stock of E.S. and A. and Queensland National Banks. (b) Customers' Deposits; excludes amounts deposited by trading banks with Commonwealth Bank. (c) Includes short-term Loans, other than Treasury Bills, of the Commonwealth Bank. (d) In computing the ratios, the figures relating to the Rural Bank of New South Wales have been excluded.

NOTE.—Owing to reconstruction of the Commonwealth Bank in August, 1945, it is not possible to continue this series after June, 1945. Monthly averages of liabilities and assets compiled from returns lodged under the *Banking Act 1945* and *Commonwealth Bank Act 1945* are shown in the ensuing tables.

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

(i) Liabilities within Australia. (a)

Period.	Inter-minable Deposits and Deposit Stock.	Deposits.			Notes in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks.	Bills payable and all other Liabilities.	Total Liabilities.
		Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.				

COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA—GENERAL BANKING DIVISION.								
Quarter ended Dec. 1945	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
" " Mar. 1946	..	33,269	21,753	55,022	..	348	2,987	58,357
" " June, 1946	..	35,541	21,681	57,222	..	347	2,978	60,547
1946—Month of July ..	..	38,335	19,971	58,306	..	340	2,314	60,960
" " Aug.	..	37,772	18,607	56,379	..	329	2,240	58,948
" " Sept.	..	38,148	18,317	56,465	..	345	1,168	57,978
" " " "	..	38,844	18,626	57,470	..	331	1,437	59,238

NINE AUSTRALIAN TRADING BANKS. (b)

Quarter ended Dec. 1945	1,664	371,835	222,666	594,501	166	1,358	6,432	604,121
" " Mar. 1946	1,646	406,097	220,195	626,292	166	1,174	6,502	635,780
" " June, 1946	1,646	417,193	214,482	631,675	166	1,218	7,416	642,121
1946—Month of July ..	910	400,698	212,378	613,076	166	1,392	7,595	623,139
" " Aug.	910	406,056	210,419	616,475	163	1,493	7,502	626,543
" " Sept.	910	413,046	208,953	621,999	158	1,457	7,864	632,388

OTHER CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS. (b)

Quarter ended Dec. 1945	12,645	7,225	4,842	12,067	..	66	537	25,315
" " Mar. 1946	12,549	7,926	5,161	13,087	..	72	358	26,066
" " June, 1946	12,490	8,320	5,183	13,503	..	86	595	26,674
1946—Month of July ..	12,688	9,296	5,117	14,413	..	74	311	27,486
" " Aug.	12,564	9,341	5,095	14,436	..	65	289	27,354
" " Sept.	12,420	9,420	5,141	14,561	..	78	276	27,335

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS. (b)(c)

Quarter ended Dec. 1945	14,309	412,329	249,261	661,590	166	1,772	9,956	687,793
" " Mar. 1946	14,195	449,564	247,037	696,601	166	1,593	9,838	722,393
" " June, 1946	14,136	463,848	239,636	703,484	166	1,644	10,325	729,755
1946—Month of July ..	13,598	447,766	236,102	683,868	166	1,795	10,146	709,573
" " Aug.	13,474	453,545	233,831	687,376	163	1,903	8,959	711,875
" " Sept.	13,330	461,310	232,720	694,030	158	1,866	9,577	718,961

(ii) Assets within Australia. (a)

Period.	Cash and Cash Balances. (d)	Special Account with C'wth. Bank.	Balances with other Banks.	Australian Public Securities.		Other Securities.	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted.	All other Assets.	Total Assets.
				Treasury Bills.	Other.				

COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA—GENERAL BANKING DIVISION.

GENERAL BANKING DIVISION.									
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Quarter ended Dec. 1945	9,235	..	168	5,000	33,321	..	14,511	1,461	63,696
" Mar. 1946	7,117	..	182	3,833	33,920	..	19,080	1,500	65,632
" June, 1946	5,380	..	249	3,423	34,169	..	21,040	2,121	66,382
1946—Month of July ..	6,911	..	237	2,590	34,798	..	17,782	1,594	63,822
" Aug.	6,921	..	197	1,875	32,515	..	20,763	1,547	63,818
" Sept.	7,320	..	214	2,200	33,538	..	20,227	1,587	65,086

NINE AUSTRALIAN TRADING BANKS. (b)

Quarter ended Dec. 1945	40,384	227,311	8,959	63,008	113,049	164	209,291	12,361	674,527
" " Mar. 1946	43,276	241,546	8,424	72,797	118,903	169	208,611	12,444	706,170
" " June, 1946	34,174	258,261	9,569	51,224	122,775	165	219,698	13,063	708,929
1946—Month of July ..	32,334	255,529	9,402	21,120	117,088	165	236,202	14,144	685,984
" " Aug.	37,036	252,319	8,786	23,095	112,501	165	238,355	13,860	686,217
" " Sept.	36,676	251,119	10,455	26,985	109,921	165	243,589	13,552	692,662

OTHER CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS. (b)

Quarter ended Dec. 1945	1,826	1,753	2,670	622	7,402	215	16,765	1,245	32,498
" " Mar. 1946	2,205	1,982	2,302	1,104	7,446	219	16,839	1,238	33,335
" " June, 1946	1,566	2,126	2,059	1,286	8,653	226	16,817	1,293	34,050
1946—Month of July ..	2,628	2,143	2,111	470	8,551	315	21,428	1,938	39,584
" " Aug.	2,444	2,143	2,175	467	8,551	315	21,626	1,963	39,684
" " Sept.	2,464	2,023	2,013	697	8,564	315	21,821	2,006	39,903

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS. (b)(c)

Quarter ended Dec. 1945	51,445	229,064	11,797	68,630	153,772	379	240,567	15,067	770,721
" " Mar. 1946	52,598	243,528	10,908	77,734	160,269	388	244,530	15,182	805,137
" " June, 1946	41,150	260,387	11,877	55,933	165,597	385	257,555	16,477	809,361
1946—Month of July ..	41,873	257,672	11,750	24,090	160,437	480	275,417	17,676	789,390
" " Aug.	46,401	254,262	11,158	25,437	153,897	480	280,744	17,370	789,719
" " Sept.	46,460	253,342	12,682	29,882	152,023	480	285,637	17,145	797,651

(a) Average of weekly figures for period.

(b) Compiled from returns lodged under the Banking Act 1945.

(c) Includes General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank.

(d) Coin, bullion, Australian notes and cash with Commonwealth Bank.

NINE AUSTRALIAN TRADING BANKS.

(Excludes Commonwealth Bank.)

(i) Liabilities within Australia.(a)

Quarter ended—	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks.	Deposits.			Inscribed Deposit Stock.	Total Liabilities.
				Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.		
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000	£'000.	£'000.
June, 1939 ..	167	3,066	810	(b)120,112	201,214	321,326	2,638	328,007
" 1943 ..	167	4,452	955	(b)258,441	196,925	455,366	2,594	463,534
" 1944 ..	167	4,767	1,026	(b)319,928	218,341	538,269	2,344	546,573
" 1945 ..	166	5,097	1,083	(b)364,288	224,938	589,226	1,718	597,290
Dec., 1945 ..	166	(b) 6,432	1,358	371,835	222,666	594,501	1,664	604,121
Mar., 1946 ..	166	(b) 6,502	1,174	406,097	220,195	626,292	1,646	635,780
June, 1946 ..	166	(b) 7,416	1,218	417,193	214,482	631,675	1,646	642,121
Sept., 1946 ..	162	(b) 7,664	1,444	406,639	210,595	617,234	910	627,414

(ii) Assets within Australia.(a)

Quarter ended—	Coin and Bullion.	Australian Notes and Cash with Commonwealth Bank.	Government and Municipal Securities.(c)	Special Account with Commonwealth Bank.	Land and House Property.	Balances due from other Banks.(d)	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted.(e)	All Other Assets.	Total Assets.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June, 1939..	3,006	27,449	47,298	..	9,558	3,815	290,776	(f)	381,902
" 1943..	1,819	30,573	133,785	100,401	9,881	6,783	244,776	(f)	528,018
" 1944..	1,968	36,499	148,713	178,600	9,761	7,787	224,858	(f)	608,186
" 1945..	2,043	33,776	164,070	239,618	9,762	7,759	205,758	(f)	662,786
Dec., 1945..	2,262	38,122	176,057	227,311	9,814	8,959	209,291	2,711	674,527
Mar., 1946..	2,360	40,916	191,700	241,546	9,792	8,424	208,611	2,821	706,170
June, 1946..	2,239	31,935	173,999	258,261	9,859	9,569	219,698	3,369	708,929
Sept., 1946..	2,320	32,909	137,082	253,051	9,984	9,602	239,456	4,082	688,436

(a) Average of weekly figures for quarter. (b) Includes Other Liabilities. (c) Includes Treasury Bills. (d) Includes Notes, Cheques and Bills of other banks. (e) Includes All Other Assets prior to December Quarter, 1945. (f) Included with Loans, &c., prior to December Quarter, 1945.

COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

Average for Quarter ended—	General Banking Department—Business within Australia.							Note Issue and General Banking Depart- ment.	Notes held outside Common- wealth Bank. (d)
	Deposits.			Balances Due to other Banks.	Special Account of Trading Banks.	Advances, &c., and Short- term loans. (a)	Govern- ment and Municipal Securities. (b)	Sterling Reserve and Short Call Money in London. (c)	
	Not Bearing Interest. (a)	Bearing Interest.	Total.						
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June, 1939..	18,128	43,274	61,402	18,746	..	18,948	44,935	32,866	44,128
" 1942..	29,816	57,132	86,948	33,076	37,286	32,129	100,057	58,590	94,917
" 1943..	50,953	98,683	149,636	25,885	100,844	27,027	213,961	80,913	133,350
" 1944..	60,618	82,461	143,079	32,864	179,454	27,800	243,432	143,998	181,109
Sept., 1944..	64,361	101,202	165,563	31,614	183,832	32,111	238,774	172,271	191,661
Dec., 1944..	56,629	94,309	150,938	33,231	191,928	23,787	234,258	177,029	195,095
Mar., 1945..	55,156	106,800	161,956	35,245	220,087	28,851	260,760	185,123	190,456
June, 1945..	59,956	99,294	159,250	30,527	241,193	27,818	271,417	185,025	182,658

(a) Government "Set-off" accounts, Interstate deducted. (b) Includes Treasury Bills. (c) Not to be taken as a measure of Net London Funds. (d) Notes held by Other Banks and by Public. See following page for details of Note Issue.

NOTE.—Owing to the reconstruction of the Commonwealth Bank in August, 1945, it is not possible to continue after June, 1945, all the series in the table above. Averages from October 1945, for the General Banking Division and the Central Banking Business (including Note Issue Department) are shown on pages 60 and 62 respectively.

COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.
CENTRAL BANKING BUSINESS. (Including Note Issue Department). (a)

Period.	Notes on Issue.			Special Accounts of Trading Banks.	Other Deposits of Trading Banks.	Other Li- abilities (ex- cluding Capital and Reserves).	Gold and Balances held Abroad.	Govern- ment and Other Securities (including Treasury Bills.)
	Held by—		Total.					
	Banks.	Public.						
1945—	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.
December Quarter ..	17,060	174,529	191,589	229,064	27,507	142,625	170,217	416,768
1946—								
March Quarter ..	17,370	177,427	194,797	243,528	31,047	144,407	182,256	421,911
June ..	16,617	181,213	197,830	260,387	22,415	146,109	200,319	416,973
Month of July ..	17,306	180,624	197,930	257,672	20,103	148,859	203,852	414,110
“ „ August ..	16,871	180,809	197,680	254,262	25,084	132,662	212,152	397,671
“ „ September ..	17,249	180,531	197,780	253,342	24,124	129,943	215,015	389,893

(a) Average of weekly figures for period.

**AVERAGE VALUE OF AUSTRALIAN NOTES HELD BY THE BANKS
AND BY THE PUBLIC.**

Particulars.	Held by Banks.	Held by Public.	Total Note Issue.	Reserve.	
				Amount. (a)	Percentage on total circulation.
	£	£	£	£'000.	%
1939 (b)	14,403,326	35,186,843	49,590,169	16,030	32.4
1942 (b)	14,879,107	88,189,429	103,068,536	26,777	25.9
1943 (b)	15,456,884	126,935,667	142,392,551	36,518	25.7
1944 (b)	15,925,325	171,910,855	187,836,180	48,200	25.7
1945 (b)	17,090,939	172,033,643	189,124,582	(d)	(d)
1946 (c) July	17,499,268	180,181,217	197,680,485	(d)	(d)
August	17,229,405	180,451,080	197,680,485	(d)	(d)
September	17,180,701	180,499,784	197,680,485	(d)	(d)

(a) Includes English sterling, valued in Australian currency. (b) Average of twelve monthly statements. (c) On last Monday in each month. (d) The Commonwealth Bank Act 1945 repealed the provisions requiring the Commonwealth Bank to hold a reserve in Gold and English Sterling.

COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING.

Denomination.	25th Sept., 1939.	27th Sept., 1943.	25th Sept., 1944.	24th Sept., 1945.	30th Sept., 1946.
	£	£	£	£	£
10s.	4,205,280	6,917,646	8,076,445	8,206,619	7,854,593
£1	22,185,925	52,306,382	61,483,350	75,558,733	69,313,527
£5	13,054,030	55,520,170	71,899,600	75,045,420	78,670,745
£10	6,174,580	26,084,940	46,123,280	26,372,660	41,334,930
£20	100,600	55,180	48,900	10,640	8,840
£50	1,553,600	3,644,350	4,075,050	162,500	109,150
£100	2,703,200	5,091,400	5,388,000	236,300	189,700
£1,000	1,048,000	392,000	649,000	371,000	199,000
Held by banks ..	13,746,514	15,311,372	15,805,075	15,746,996	17,180,701
„ public	37,278,701	134,700,696	181,938,550	170,216,876	180,499,784
Total	51,025,215	150,012,068	197,743,625	185,963,872	197,680,485

DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS. (a).

All Cheque-paying Banks.

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australian Capital Territory.	Total.
1945—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
December Quarter ..	50,985	43,074	15,165	7,906	5,540	2,783	97	125,550
1946—								
March Quarter ..	51,042	45,565	14,163	8,808	6,144	2,856	86	128,664
June ..	57,954	50,248	15,166	9,390	6,161	3,125	106	142,150
Month of July ..	66,380	54,773	16,943	10,335	6,675	3,449	130	158,685
„ „ August ..	57,669	50,438	15,780	9,158	6,762	3,151	98	143,056
„ „ September ..	64,647	52,368	17,301	10,135	7,007	3,251	102	154,811

(a) Compiled from returns lodged under Banking Act 1945. Average of weeks ended Monday for period.

BANK CLEARING HOUSES.—AVERAGE WEEKLY VALUE OF BILLS, CHEQUES, ETC., CLEARED.

Weekly Average.	Sydney.		Melbourne.		Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	Total Clearings.	Clearings less Treasury Bill transactions.(a)	Total Clearings.	Clearings less Treasury Bill transactions.(a)				
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Year 1938	23,227	18,065	16,855	16,076	4,164	3,048	2,092	590
" 1943	32,351	27,649	27,109	27,061	6,424	4,760	2,638	879
" 1944	32,942	28,746	27,757	27,730	7,074	5,101	2,774	1,000
" 1945	28,992	28,992	28,455	28,437	7,020	5,142	2,907	1,101
1946—								
25th June to 29th July	41,532	41,532	37,839	37,839	7,846	6,370	3,630	1,347
30th July to 26th August	35,031	35,031	32,940	32,940	7,138	5,599	3,751	1,251
27th Aug. to 30th Sept.	38,111	38,111	33,985	33,985	8,154	6,226	3,704	1,259

(a) Average weekly clearings excluding transactions connected with the issue and redemption of Treasury Bills. These abnormal transactions have been in operation in Victoria since October, 1929, and in New South Wales since October, 1930.

SAVINGS BANKS—DEPOSITS.(a)

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust. Cap. Terr.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June—									
1939 ..	87,474	80,461	29,045	27,397	12,396	8,396	99	319	245,587
1943 ..	122,406	121,249	45,197	38,563	18,884	11,174	(b)	522	357,995
1944 ..	162,867	153,887	65,479	48,592	25,791	14,213	(b)	701	471,530
1945 ..	198,203	182,149	80,094	56,995	31,763	16,914	(b)	846	566,964
1946 ..	236,242	211,326	90,063	65,865	38,289	20,447	349	973	663,554
1945—									
July ..	200,932	184,612	81,153	57,643	32,191	17,193	(b)	869	574,593
Aug. ..	204,794	188,034	82,047	58,580	32,749	17,617	(b)	883	584,704
Sept. ..	207,520	190,937	83,175	59,269	33,307	17,871	(b)	891	592,970
1946—									
July ..	237,305	212,469	90,352	66,129	38,404	20,588	390	984	666,621
Aug. ..	236,985	213,212	89,911	66,350	38,247	20,758	416	979	666,858
Sept. ..	235,806	212,787	89,644	66,389	38,036	20,719	435	986	664,802

(a) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank.

(b) Included with South Australia.

NOTE.—In addition to the savings shown above a net amount (i.e., total less re-purchases), of £50,441,000 was subscribed for War Savings Certificates between March, 1940, and September, 1946.

COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK—DEPOSITS.

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust. Cap. Terr.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June—									
1939 ..	87,474	11,242	29,045	3,167	12,396	2,358	99	319	146,100
1943 ..	122,406	23,731	45,197	6,311	18,884	3,542	(a)	522	220,593
1944 ..	162,867	31,205	65,479	8,474	25,791	4,814	(a)	701	299,331
1945 ..	198,203	38,933	80,094	10,505	31,763	6,006	(a)	846	366,350
1946 ..	236,242	47,603	90,063	12,665	38,289	7,851	349	973	434,035
1945—									
July ..	200,932	39,649	81,153	10,657	32,191	6,137	(a)	869	371,588
Aug. ..	204,794	40,714	82,047	10,987	32,749	6,267	(a)	883	378,441
Sept. ..	207,520	41,862	83,175	11,140	33,307	6,396	(a)	891	384,291
1946—									
July ..	237,305	47,928	90,352	12,739	38,404	7,915	390	984	436,017
Aug. ..	236,985	48,072	89,911	12,798	38,247	7,923	416	979	435,331
Sept. ..	235,806	47,907	89,644	12,797	38,036	7,895	435	986	433,506

(a) Included with South Australia.

Section V.—Railways, Aircraft, Motor Vehicles and Wireless.

A.—Railways.

RAILWAYS (GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE) OPEN FOR TRAFFIC.

NOTE.—The mileage of private lines is shown in brackets and refers to lines available for general traffic only.

Government.	1938-39.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.
Commonwealth ..	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201
New South Wales ..	6,114 (69)	6,127 (69)	6,127 (69)	6,128 (66)	6,128 (66)
Victoria ..	4,759 (25)	4,766 (25)	4,758 (25)	4,748 (13)	4,748 (13)
Queensland ..	6,567 (183)	6,567 (183)	6,567 (183)	6,566 (182)	6,566 (182)
South Australia ..	2,557 (51)	2,557 (51)	2,547 (51)	2,547 (51)	2,547 (51)
Western Australia ..	4,378 (277)	4,381 (277)	4,381 (277)	4,381 (277)	4,381 (277)
Tasmania ..	658 (116)	642 (116)	642 (116)	642 (116)	642 (116)
Total ..	27,234 (721)	27,241 (721)	27,223 (721)	27,213 (705)	27,213 (705)

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

CAPITAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT.(a)

Government.	1938-39.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£	£	£	£	£
Commonwealth ..	17,032,884	17,433,858	17,700,704	17,823,993	17,945,906
New South Wales ..	147,617,530	150,661,127	151,849,840	152,144,668	153,099,820
Victoria ..	52,448,789	52,718,195	52,637,204	52,746,555	52,850,404
Queensland ..	38,419,013	39,349,083	39,479,733	39,907,071	40,377,436
South Australia ..	29,732,889	30,801,278	31,290,224	30,673,614	30,982,829
Western Australia ..	26,021,781	26,393,048	26,362,545	26,530,724	26,628,491
Tasmania ..	2,140,330	2,348,784	2,497,290	2,765,041	2,943,916
Total(b) ..	315,860,188	322,152,345	324,264,512	325,038,638	327,275,774

AVERAGE MILES WORKED.

Government.	1938-39.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.
Commonwealth ..	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201
New South Wales ..	6,114	6,127	6,127	6,128	6,128
Victoria ..	4,754	4,746	4,758	4,748	4,748
Queensland ..	6,567	6,567	6,567	6,566	6,566
South Australia ..	2,557	2,557	2,549	2,547	2,547
Western Australia ..	4,376	4,381	4,381	4,381	4,381
Tasmania ..	658	642	642	642	642
Total ..	27,227	27,221	27,225	27,213	27,213

TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN(c)—'000.

Commonwealth ..	902	2,322	3,473	3,453	2,426
New South Wales ..	30,106	d 36,368	e39,000	e37,100	e 38,900
Victoria ..	17,890	18,249	18,437	16,413	16,337
Queensland ..	13,927	16,396	d19,851	d19,794	d 17,574
South Australia ..	6,177	6,599	6,792	6,777	6,618
Western Australia ..	6,575	6,355	6,340	6,044	6,171
Tasmania ..	1,906	2,176	2,217	2,185	2,201
Total ..	77,483	88,465	96,110	91,766	90,227

GROSS REVENUE—£'000.

Commonwealth ..	547	2,195	3,746	3,459	2,424
New South Wales ..	19,946	28,487	34,872	35,301	32,377
Victoria ..	9,284	14,520	17,030	15,882	15,258
Queensland ..	7,798	11,654	18,027	16,430	13,809
South Australia ..	3,119	4,944	5,811	5,979	5,460
Western Australia ..	3,599	3,996	4,417	4,387	4,276
Tasmania ..	487	686	843	871	900
Total ..	44,780	66,482	84,746	82,309	74,504

(a) Capital has been reduced during past years by approximately £61,500,000 (Victoria, £25,700,000; Queensland, £28,000,000; South Australia, £3,100,000; Tasmania, £4,700,000). (b) Includes £2,446,972, Commonwealth proportion of Grafton-South Brisbane Line capital not included with States. (c) Excludes "Assistant" and "Light" mileages. (d) Partly estimated. (e) Estimated.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—continued.

Government.	1938-39.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.
WORKING EXPENSES—£'000.					
Commonwealth	642	1,506	2,171	2,521	2,113
New South Wales	14,543	21,713	27,343	27,535	24,673
Victoria	8,060	11,600	14,040	13,214	12,832
Queensland	6,193	8,488	11,400	13,163	11,676
South Australia	2,931	3,856	4,661	5,213	5,145
Western Australia	2,911	3,026	3,447	3,796	3,764
Tasmania	678	854	965	1,136	1,167
Total	35,958	51,043	64,027	66,578	61,370

NET EARNINGS—£'000.

Commonwealth	— 95	689	1,575	938	311
New South Wales	5,403	6,774	7,529	7,766	7,704
Victoria	1,224	2,920	2,990	2,668	2,426
Queensland	1,605	3,166	6,627	3,267	2,133
South Australia	188	1,088	1,150	766	315
Western Australia	688	970	970	591	512
Tasmania	—191	—168	—122	—265	—267
Total	8,822	15,439	20,719	15,731	13,134

PERCENTAGE OF NET EARNINGS ON CAPITAL COST.(a)

	%	%	%	%	%
Commonwealth	—0.56	3.95	8.90	5.27	1.73
New South Wales	3.66	4.50	4.95	5.10	5.03
Victoria	2.33	5.54	5.68	5.06	4.59
Queensland	4.18	8.05	16.78	8.19	5.28
South Australia	0.63	3.53	3.67	2.50	1.01
Western Australia	2.64	3.68	3.68	2.23	1.92
Tasmania	—8.91	—7.16	—4.88	—9.60	—9.06
Total (b)	2.79	4.79	6.39	4.84	4.01

Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

(a) See note (a) on previous page. On the basis of the original capital the adjusted percentages for 1944-45 are as follows:—Victoria, 3.09; Queensland, 3.12; South Australia, 0.92; Tasmania, —3.49; Total, 3.38. (b) Includes Commonwealth proportion capital Grafton-South Brisbane Line (see note (b) on previous page).

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.
PARTICULARS FOR YEAR 1944-45.

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	2,201	6,128	4,748	6,566	2,547	4,381	642	27,213
Revenue—	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.
Coaching (Passengers.	(a)	12,305	7,171	4,332	1,646	1,375	320	(a)
Parcels, Mails, &c.) £								
Goods, including live-								
stock and minerals £								
Miscellaneous	3,934	1,224	655	432	142	52		
Total Revenue	2,424	32,377	15,258	13,809	5,460	4,276	900	74,504
Expenditure	2,113	24,673	12,832	11,676	5,145	3,764	1,167	61,370
Train-miles run	2,426	638,900	16,337	617,574	6,618	6,171	2,201	90,227
Earnings per train-mile ..	20s. 0d.	16s. 8d.	18s. 8d.	15s. 9d.	16s. 6d.	13s. 10d.	8s. 2d.	16s. 6d.
Expenditure per train-mile ..	17s. 5d.	12s. 8d.	15s. 9d.	13s. 3d.	15s. 7d.	12s. 2d.	10s. 6d.	13s. 7d.
Expenditure per cent. on								
Earnings	87.16	76.20	84.10	84.55	94.24	88.03	128.67	82.36
	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.	'000.
Passenger-journeys	473	254,099	195,698	38,962	24,820	18,099	3,261	535,412
Freight carried, tons—								
Coal and Coke	36	(c)	(c)	1,000	238	268	88	(a)
Other Minerals	12	(c)	(c)	325	409	214	147	(a)
Live-Stock	36	(b) 1,000	(b) 789	634	243	139	32	2,873
Other Goods	297	17,793	7,275	4,281	2,586	2,283	657	35,172
Total	381	18,793	8,064	6,240	3,476	2,904	924	40,782

(a) Not available.

(b) Estimated or partly estimated.

(c) Included with Other Goods.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—continued.
PARTICULARS FOR YEAR 1945-46.

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land. (a)	S.A.(b)	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	2,201	6,128	4,748	6,497	2,547	4,381	642	27,144
Revenue—								
Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	'000. 657	'000. 14,900	'000. 7,437	'000. 4,454	'000. 1,582	'000. 1,324	'000. 334	'000. 30,688
Goods, including live-stock and minerals £	803	14,739	6,058	6,977	2,907	2,673	563	34,720
Miscellaneous £	105	(c) 1,674	1,180	(d)	408	110	31	(e) 3,508
Total Revenue £	1,565	f31,313	14,675	11,431	4,897	4,107	928	68,916
Expenditure .. £	1,565	24,933	12,531	10,105	5,130	4,027	(g) 1,055	59,346
Train-miles run ..	1,818	37,961	16,344	15,432	6,353	(h) 6,409	(h) 2,229	86,546
Earnings per train-mile	17s. 3d.	16s. 6d.	18s. 0d.	14s. 10d.	15s. 5d.	12s. 10d.	8s. 4d.	15s. 11d.
Expenditure per train-mile ..	17s. 3d.	13s. 2d.	15s. 4d.	13s. 1d.	16s. 2d.	12s. 7d.	9s. 6d.	13s. 9d.
Expenditure per cent. on Earnings .. %	99.98	79.63	85.39	88.33	104.76	98.05	113.69	86.11
Passenger-journeys ..	'000. 346	'000. 267,424	'000. 196,118	'000. 37,704	'000. 23,119	'000. 17,137	'000. 3,414	'000. 545,262
Freight carried, tons—								
Coal and Coke ..	73	(i)	(i)	964	312	308	191	(j)
Other Minerals ..	3	(i)	(i)	337	470	278	(k)	(j)
Live-Stock ..	56	(l) 1,105	(l) 459	604	183	138	36	2,581
Other Goods ..	144	15,873	6,609	3,478	2,032	2,004	653	30,793
Total ..	276	16,978	7,068	5,383	2,997	2,728	880	36,310

(a) Excludes Grafton-South Brisbane Line. (b) Includes Road Motors. (c) From sale of electrical energy only; other miscellaneous included with Coaching and Goods. (d) Included with Coaching. (e) Incomplete. (f) Excludes Governmental contributions towards losses on non-paying developmental lines. (g) Excludes depreciation. (h) Includes Assistant and Light Miles. (i) Included with Other Goods. (j) Not available. (k) Included with Coal and Coke. (l) Estimated.

B.—Civil Aviation.(a)

Particulars.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1939.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.
Registered Aircraft owners .. No.	149	(c) 128	116	125	182
Registered Aircraft (b) ..	296	(c) 184	185	206	349
Licensed Pilots—(b)					
Private	1,096	171	159	215	320
Commercial	346	233	305	428	1,019
Licensed Ground Engi-neers (b)	525	924	1,039	1,122	1,226
Aerodromes—(b)					
Government	71	69	69	77	96
Public	213	207	206	230	230
Government Emer-gency Grounds	147	96	78	83	73
Hours flown	121,935	58,185	84,274	111,122	152,140
Approximate mileage .. '000	14,099	7,517	10,082	14,992	21,538
Passengers carried .. No.	147,919	133,525	235,775	342,070	522,157
Goods, weight carried .. lb. '000	1,735	2,066	3,132	4,756	10,260
Mails, gross weight carried—					
Internal lb. '000	(d)	(e) 1,469	(e) 2,438	(e) 2,806	1,862
Oversea	(d)	191	377	444	911
Total	740	1,660	2,815	3,250	2,773
Accidents—					
Persons killed .. No.	38	4	1	26	44
.. injured	15	3	1	10	1

(a) Includes particulars of Qantas Oversea Services but excludes particulars of trans-Tasman service. (b) At 30th June of year shown above each column. (c) At 31st October, 1943. (d) Not available. (e) Net weight.

NOTE.—Figures for flying operations during 1942-43 and later refer to the larger organizations only.

C.—Telephones.

Particulars.	At 30th June—				At 30th Sept., 1946.
	1939.	1944.	1945.	1946.	
Lines connected	No. 487,535	No. 557,072	No. 577,777	No. 607,475	No. 619,771
Instruments connected ..	661,996	799,729	827,862	855,917	868,998

D.—Motor Vehicles.

(EXCLUDING DEFENCE SERVICE VEHICLES).

State or Territory.	No. of Registrations.				No. of Drivers' and Riders' Licences Issued.	Gross Revenue.			
	Motor Cars.	Commercial Vehicles, &c.	Motor Cycles.	Total.		Vehicles' Registration and Motor Tax.	Drivers' and Riders, &c., Licences.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
1944-45.									
					£	£	£	£	
New South Wales ..	186,802	83,980	16,068	286,850	445,625	2,103,132	225,828	68,996	2,397,956
Victoria ..	141,249	94,110	19,820	255,179	353,584	1,514,679	88,402	86,187	1,689,268
Queensland ..	69,000	53,798	6,394	129,192	157,712	708,273	62,656	72,727	843,656
South Australia ..	59,196	25,121	7,484	91,801	117,310	525,697	67,487	13,703	606,887
Western Australia..	30,723	24,147	4,507	59,377	73,090	301,816	23,435	35,612	360,863
Tasmania ..	17,064	6,959	2,815	26,838	29,128	188,814	14,564	23,077	226,455
Northern Territory ..	193	2,273	54	2,520	1,097	2,076	550	..	2,626
Australian Capital Territory ..	1,555	573	97	2,225	3,043	10,137	1,454	133	11,724
Total 1944-45 ..	505,782	290,961	57,239	853,982	1,180,589	5,354,624	484,376	300,435	6,139,435
Total, 1943-44 ..	493,391	274,269	52,560	820,220	1,232,442	5,232,772	451,156	273,700	5,957,628
1938-39 ..	562,271	258,025	79,237	899,533	1,238,497	6,318,435	508,387	257,652	7,084,474

NUMBER OF REGISTRATIONS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1946.

Vehicles.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
Motor Cars ..	193,824	149,720	71,639	62,858	30,859	17,604	337	1,666	528,507
Commercial Vehicles, &c. ..	102,965	105,324	76,451	30,291	29,114	8,273	3,023	732	356,173
Motor Cycles ..	21,767	24,439	9,227	10,701	6,634	3,385	103	123	76,379
Total at 30th Sept., 1946 ..	318,556	279,483	157,317	103,850	(a) 66,607	29,262	(b) 3,463	2,521	961,059
Total at 30th Sept., 1945 ..	290,052	256,251	130,774	93,180	58,253	27,192	(c) 2,520	2,221	860,443
Total at 30th Sept., 1938 ..	307,223	253,687	121,411	91,867	63,592	25,147	1,249	2,014	866,190

(a) Includes extra-metropolitan area as at 31st August, 1946. (b) At 30th June, 1946. (c) At 30th June, 1945.

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW VEHICLES DURING THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1946.

Vehicles.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Total. (a)
Motor Cars ..	1,128	1,107	404	300	142	100	7	3,188
Commercial Vehicles, &c. ..	1,436	928	578	309	163	172	6	3,592
Motor Cycles ..	487	321	156	209	138	100	2	1,413
Total, three months ended September, 1946 ..	3,051	2,356	1,138	818	(b) 443	372	15	8,193
Total, three months ended September, 1945 ..	604	651	236	163	110	78	2	1,844
Total, three months ended September, 1938 ..	7,245	5,594	3,501	1,950	934	672	83	19,979

(a) Excludes Northern Territory. (b) Subject to revision.
NOTE.—In each of the tables above, taxis and hire cars are included with motor cars, and particulars of primary producers' vehicles in Victoria are included under the heading Commercial Vehicles, &c.

E.—Wireless.

NUMBER OF BROADCAST LISTENERS' LICENCES. (a)

In force at—	N.S.W. (b)	Victoria.	Q'land. (c)	S. Aust. (d)	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Australia.
30th June, 1939 ..	433,029	327,579	133,217	117,307	79,262	39,392	1,129,786
" " 1943 ..	552,044	390,950	177,846	151,258	97,785	49,910	1,419,793
" " 1944 ..	560,032	409,325	180,090	155,253	99,246	50,356	1,454,302
" " 1945 ..	572,697	412,317	184,341	157,825	102,065	50,557	1,479,802
" " 1946 ..	575,864	415,885	191,186	164,724	106,529	51,992	1,506,180
30th Sept., 1946 ..	585,985	421,083	196,880	167,962	109,350	53,988	1,535,248

(a) From 30th June, 1943, includes licences in respect of more than one receiver owned by one person. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Papua. (d) Includes Northern Territory.

Section VI.—Labour and Industrial Statistics.

TRADE UNIONS.

Number of Trade Unions, Branch Unions and Membership.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.	Australia.
NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.										
1938	194	147	111	114	136	78	6	15	801	(a)366
1941	193	146	115	117	141	76	4	15	807	(a)374
1942	194	142	113	113	138	73	4	15	792	(a)377
1943	192	142	113	113	138	73	4	15	790	(a)375
1944	189	141	112	112	136	72	4	15	781	(a)370
1945	184	139	110	112	132	71	4	15	767	(a)368

NUMBER OF BRANCHES.

1938	573	400	314	179	202	58	..	1	1,727	(b)2,162
1941	599	386	309	174	208	71	..	1	1,748	(b)2,181
1942	597	382	308	174	208	71	..	1	1,741	(b)2,156
1943	592	382	308	175	207	71	..	1	1,736	(b)2,151
1944	591	382	307	173	208	71	..	1	1,733	(b)2,144
1945	591	382	307	173	208	71	..	1	1,733	(b)2,132

NUMBER OF MEMBERS.

1938	346,837	215,021	169,569	62,404	67,932	21,051	806	1,538	885,158	885,158
1941	425,522	270,343	192,015	95,289	65,015	24,292	1,406	1,798	1,075,680	1,075,680
1942	483,039	302,782	190,578	111,388	64,535	26,893	1,406	1,796	1,182,417	1,182,417
1943	498,169	311,791	194,225	107,311	63,880	26,130	1,406	1,951	1,204,863	1,204,863
1944	508,832	314,952	192,085	104,892	67,617	26,939	1,406	2,055	1,218,778	1,218,778
1945	501,845	306,649	192,087	97,829	71,512	27,114	1,406	1,953	1,200,395	1,200,395

(a) Allowing for interstate duplication. The figures represent the number of distinct organizations and interstate groups of organizations in Australia. They do not represent the total number of organizations which are practically independent and self-governing. (b) Includes not only branches of separate State unions and sub-branches in each State of interstate unions, but also head State branches of interstate unions.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS.

Unemployment—Australia—Number, Membership of Reporting Unions and Branches, and Number and Percentage Unemployed.(a)

Period.	Unions.	Membership.	UNEMPLOYED.	
			Number.	Percentage. (b)
1938 Year	390	466,325	40,138	8.7
1941 " " " " " "	395	536,666	20,013	3.7
1942 " " " " " "	394	613,534	9,754	1.6
1943 " " " " " "	390	678,713	7,545	1.1
1944 " " " " " "	389	681,689	8,073	1.2
1945 " " " " " "	388	673,750	7,864	1.2
1932—June Quarter(c)	396	413,742	124,068	30.0
1942—December " " " " "	394	645,467	8,350	1.3
1943—March " " " " "	391	665,334	8,021	1.2
June " " " " "	390	680,292	7,423	1.1
September " " " " "	390	682,557	7,356	1.1
December " " " " "	390	686,667	7,381	1.1
1944—March " " " " "	390	688,381	6,987	1.0
June " " " " "	389	683,463	9,433	1.4
September " " " " "	389	680,218	7,947	1.2
December " " " " "	389	674,695	7,925	1.2
1945—March " " " " "	388	683,632	7,616	1.1
June " " " " "	388	679,227	7,795	1.1
September " " " " "	387	668,674	7,769	1.2
December " " " " "	387	663,467	8,276	1.2
1946—March " " " " "	385	662,296	9,062	1.4
June " " " " "	385	661,432	8,757	1.3
September " " " " "	381	672,209	9,212	1.4

(a) The quarterly figures show the number of persons who were out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter; they include persons out of work through sickness, but exclude persons out of work through strikes or lockouts, except those outside the industry concerned who are indirectly affected. The annual figures represent the average of the four quarters. (b) A more extended table of percentages will be found on page 69. (c) Peak of unemployment.

NOTE.—The unions covered by the returns represent 56 per cent. of the total membership of unions, and relate to between 20 and 25 per cent. of all wage and salary earners. The value of the percentages of unemployment derived from Trade Union returns is in the indication they give of the trend of unemployment among trade unionists as reported by secretaries of Trade Unions.

Unemployment(a)—States—Percentage Unemployed.

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1938 Year	9.9	8.6	6.4	8.3	5.7	7.9	8.7
1941 "	4.7	2.5	4.5	2.7	2.9	3.3	3.7
1942 "	1.8	1.2	2.3	1.1	1.6	0.8	1.6
1943 "	1.4	0.7	1.2	0.9	1.5	1.3	1.1
1944 "	1.6	0.8	0.7	1.0	1.5	0.8	1.2
1945 "	1.5	0.9	0.7	1.3	1.2	1.0	1.2
1932—June Quarter (b) ..	33.2	27.7	19.9	35.2	30.3	27.5	30.0
1941—September " ..	4.0	2.2	4.1	2.3	2.4	2.6	3.2
December " ..	3.5	2.1	3.8	1.8	1.8	4.5	2.9
1942—March " ..	2.0	1.4	3.2	1.0	1.7	0.7	1.8
June " ..	1.9	1.2	2.6	1.3	1.7	0.6	1.7
September " ..	1.9	1.2	1.8	1.1	1.8	0.9	1.6
December " ..	1.5	0.9	1.6	0.9	1.3	0.8	1.3
1943—March " ..	1.4	0.8	1.5	1.0	1.6	1.3	1.2
June " ..	1.3	0.6	1.3	1.0	1.5	1.2	1.1
September " ..	1.3	0.7	1.1	0.9	1.7	1.2	1.1
December " ..	1.4	0.7	0.9	0.8	1.4	1.4	1.1
1944—March " ..	1.3	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.5	0.7	1.0
June " ..	1.9	0.9	0.7	1.3	1.9	0.7	1.4
September " ..	1.6	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.2	0.9	1.2
December " ..	1.6	0.9	0.6	0.9	1.2	0.7	1.2
1945—March " ..	1.5	0.8	0.5	1.2	1.0	0.7	1.1
June " ..	1.5	0.8	0.6	1.5	1.1	0.8	1.1
September " ..	1.5	0.8	0.9	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.2
December " ..	1.5	1.0	0.8	1.3	1.5	1.6	1.2
1946—March " ..	1.5	1.3	0.8	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.4
June " ..	1.6	1.1	0.9	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.3
September " ..	1.5	1.3	0.8	1.3	1.5	2.3	1.4

(a) See notes to table on page 68.

(b) Peak of unemployment.

NOTE.—For some States the returns are a more representative sample than for others. The table above, therefore, should not be read as indicating the relative degree of unemployment among trade unionists in the individual States, but as an indication of trend of unemployment as reported by secretaries of Trade Unions.

Unemployment(a)—Australia—Percentages in Industrial Groups.

Industrial Group.	1932.	1945.			1946.		
	June Qtr.(b)	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Manufacturing—							
I. Wood, Furniture, &c. ..	39.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9
II. Engineering, Metal, Works, &c.	33.9	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.7
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, &c... ..	19.3	2.5	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.5	2.6
IV. Clothing, Hats, Boots, &c... ..	22.6	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.3	1.5
V. Books, Printing, &c.	16.8	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.4
VI. Other Manufacturing	43.0	1.8	2.2	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.8
VII. Building	42.1	1.2	1.4	2.1	1.8	1.5	1.7
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, &c.	34.2	3.0	3.4	3.1	3.0	3.6	3.4
X. Land Transport other than Railway and Tramway Services	29.6	3.2	2.6	1.4	1.5	1.5	2.2
IX., XI., XII., XIII., and XIV.(c) Other and Miscellaneous ..	22.2	0.5	0.7	0.7	1.1	1.0	1.0
All Groups	30.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.3	1.4

(a) See notes to table on page 68.
see page 75.

(b) Peak of unemployment.

(c) For classification

UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS.

(i) Average Number of Persons on Benefit at end of each week.(a)

Period.	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT.							
1945-46 Year	2,654	320	1,574	812	476	43	5,879
1945-September Quarter ..	114	82	63	31	42	8	340
December	6,531	237	232	1,507	106	29	8,642
1946-March .. (d) ..	2,271	442	2,154	1,245	479	53	6,644
June .. (d) ..	1,505	499	3,730	403	1,243	83	7,463
September .. (d) ..	1,653	713	3,356	267	1,453	107	7,549

SICKNESS BENEFIT.							
1945-46 Year	2,243	1,652	837	613	434	257	6,036
1945-September Quarter ..	1,692	1,350	659	407	312	181	4,601
December	2,344	1,660	828	609	397	278	6,116
1946-March .. (d) ..	2,364	1,673	834	650	450	272	6,243
June .. (d) ..	2,530	1,902	1,014	770	508	290	7,074
September .. (d) ..	2,733	1,954	772	827	632	337	7,255

(a) In addition, an average of 104 persons (Australian total) were in receipt of Special Benefit at the end of each week during 1945-46. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory. (d) Subject to revision.

(ii) Benefits Paid(a).

Period.	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT.							
1945-46 Year	£ 275,205	£ 28,234	£ 108,138	£ 73,226	£ 36,440	£ 3,827	£ 525,070
1945-September Quarter ..	1,656	1,423	513	417	617	127	4,753
December	16,614	3,084	3,581	3,151	1,875	632	28,937
1946-March	224,380	12,067	39,988	62,551	9,883	1,234	350,103
June	32,555	11,660	64,056	7,107	24,065	1,834	141,277
September	35,167	15,310	87,453	7,224	32,465	2,344	179,963

SICKNESS BENEFIT.							
1945-46 Year	£ 198,943	£ 139,267	£ 76,306	£ 53,076	£ 34,818	£ 23,459	£ 525,869
1945-September Quarter ..	21,208	16,903	6,274	4,757	4,060	2,753	55,955
December	53,472	36,549	25,546	14,450	8,877	6,585	145,470
1946-March	66,462	41,363	18,075	15,845	10,508	7,542	159,795
June	57,801	44,452	26,411	18,024	11,373	6,579	164,640
September	65,805	41,039	24,274	20,164	14,958	7,882	174,122

(a) In addition, £4,273 (Australian total) was paid in Special Benefits during 1945-46. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory.

NOTE.—The *Unemployment and Sickness Act 1944*, which came into operation on 1st July, 1945, provides for the payment of benefit to persons whose normal earnings have been interrupted through unemployment or sickness. The rate of benefit per week is 25s. for a married person or an unmarried adult, plus 20s. for a dependent spouse and 5s. for a dependent child. For unmarried juveniles the rate of benefit is 15s. if under 18 years and 20s. if 18 and under 21 years.

AUSTRALIA.—Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Employment.

(Thousands).

Month.	Total Employment. (a) (Excluding Rural, Household Domestic and Defence Forces.)			Total Employment in Main Industrial Groups.						
	Governmental Authorities. (b)	Private Employers.	Total.	Mining and Quarrying.	Factories. (c)	C'with Works Projects. (d)	Transport and Communication.	Retail Trade.	Other Commerce and Finance.	Professional and Personal Services. (e)
MALES.										
1933—June	262.2	729.9	992.1	36.3	251.7	..	164.5	212.3		112.6
1939—July	349.8	943.3	1,293.1	52.2	391.5	..	193.6	259.7		133.6
1941—July	375.3	988.1	1,363.4	54.4	490.9	..	202.3	102.0	117.1	127.1
1942—June	420.9	888.6	1,309.5	48.0	509.0	48.6	205.6	81.2	98.5	111.6
1943—June	412.5	861.4	1,273.9	45.0	520.7	46.7	205.1	71.4	88.8	106.5
1944—June	404.0	867.5	1,271.5	44.2	518.2	27.0	212.6	71.1	91.3	111.6
1945—Aug.	398.1	889.4	1,287.5	44.6	514.3	15.1	222.1	76.8	95.8	119.8
Oct.	392.7	884.0	1,276.7	43.6	494.9	9.5	223.0	79.9	99.8	122.3
Nov.	390.3	899.3	1,289.6	43.9	494.4	7.4	225.5	83.9	104.2	124.3
Dec.	395.5	887.2	1,282.7	42.8	476.4	7.2	226.2	89.1	105.7	126.6
1946—Jan.	400.0	938.1	1,338.1	44.3	510.7	6.5	230.0	90.4	111.5	130.1
Feb.	408.6	973.6	1,382.2	46.1	531.0	6.4	235.7	93.0	115.4	133.3
Mar.	416.1	997.0	1,413.1	46.7	540.5	6.9	239.2	95.7	119.6	136.7
Apr.	421.6	1,005.8	1,427.4	46.2	542.5	6.6	241.5	98.5	121.3	139.6
May	428.0	1,026.0	1,454.0	47.7	550.2	6.5	243.5	101.0	126.2	142.3
June	433.7	1,039.4	1,473.1	48.2	557.1	6.6	246.6	102.8	128.7	143.3
July	436.0	1,058.0	1,494.0	48.2	567.4	6.5	248.2	105.7	130.8	145.4
Aug.	438.4	1,075.4	1,513.8	48.7	575.1	6.3	249.5	106.8	133.6	148.4
FEMALES.										
1933—June	46.5	294.3	340.8	0.2	103.1	..	11.0	87.3		130.7
1939—July	55.2	381.9	437.1	0.3	148.2	..	12.6	114.9		129.0
1941—July	70.8	477.7	548.5	0.5	187.8	..	21.1	102.3	44.1	148.1
1942—June	100.8	494.0	594.8	0.6	206.0	..	25.6	104.1	51.6	152.3
1943—June	129.2	502.1	631.3	0.5	228.6	..	34.5	98.2	52.5	157.2
1944—June	129.9	503.9	633.8	0.6	217.4	..	37.2	95.8	52.3	166.5
1945—Aug.	118.9	513.5	632.4	0.6	204.7	..	38.5	99.9	53.6	176.0
Oct.	107.4	509.2	616.6	0.6	190.7	..	37.8	101.5	53.7	177.5
Nov.	103.8	513.9	617.7	0.7	190.6	..	37.6	105.0	53.3	178.0
Dec.	101.7	508.7	610.4	0.6	184.6	..	37.3	108.0	52.6	175.7
1946—Jan.	99.1	504.5	603.6	0.7	184.8	..	37.1	101.6	52.4	176.2
Feb.	97.8	511.0	608.8	0.6	189.0	..	36.3	102.2	52.0	178.9
Mar.	96.2	517.0	613.2	0.6	192.0	..	35.6	102.7	52.0	181.3
Apr.	95.1	514.9	610.0	0.7	189.9	..	35.0	102.3	51.6	181.7
May	94.2	517.9	612.1	0.7	191.0	..	34.8	103.0	51.6	182.8
June	93.1	518.3	611.4	0.7	192.5	..	34.5	102.9	51.3	182.6
July	92.0	520.6	612.6	0.7	194.2	..	33.9	103.0	51.6	182.9
Aug.	90.5	523.8	614.3	0.7	194.9	..	33.7	103.1	52.1	184.1
PERSONS.										
1933—June	308.7	1,024.2	1,332.9	36.5	354.8	..	175.5	299.6		243.3
1939—July	405.0	1,325.2	1,730.2	52.5	539.7	..	206.2	374.6		262.6
1941—July	446.1	1,465.8	1,911.9	54.9	678.7	..	223.4	204.3	161.2	275.2
1942—June	521.7	1,382.6	1,904.3	48.6	715.0	48.6	231.2	185.3	150.1	263.9
1943—June	541.7	1,363.5	1,905.2	45.5	749.3	46.7	239.6	169.6	141.3	263.7
1944—June	533.9	1,371.4	1,905.3	44.8	735.6	27.0	249.8	166.9	143.6	278.1
1945—Aug.	517.0	1,402.9	1,919.9	45.2	719.0	15.1	260.6	176.7	149.4	295.8
Oct.	500.1	1,393.2	1,893.3	44.2	685.6	9.5	260.8	181.4	153.5	299.8
Nov.	494.1	1,413.2	1,907.3	44.6	685.0	7.4	263.1	188.9	157.5	302.3
Dec.	497.2	1,395.9	1,893.1	43.4	661.0	7.2	263.5	197.1	158.3	302.3
1946—Jan.	499.1	1,442.6	1,941.7	45.0	695.5	6.5	267.1	192.0	163.9	306.3
Feb.	506.4	1,484.6	1,991.0	46.7	720.0	6.4	272.0	195.2	167.4	312.2
Mar.	512.3	1,514.0	2,026.3	47.3	732.5	6.9	274.8	198.4	171.6	318.0
Apr.	516.7	1,520.7	2,037.4	46.9	732.4	6.6	276.5	200.8	172.9	321.3
May	522.2	1,543.9	2,066.1	48.4	741.2	6.5	278.3	204.0	177.8	325.1
June	526.8	1,557.7	2,084.5	48.9	749.6	6.6	281.1	205.7	180.0	325.9
July	528.0	1,578.6	2,106.6	48.9	761.6	6.5	282.1	208.7	182.4	328.3
Aug.	528.9	1,599.2	2,128.1	49.4	770.0	6.3	283.2	209.9	185.7	332.5

(a) Employees in the defence forces at home or abroad, and Government "relief" workers are excluded. From July, 1941, estimated total employment is based on Pay-roll Tax returns and records of Government employment.

(b) Includes employees of Australian Government authorities (Commonwealth, State and Local) and of Allied Governments. (c) From July, 1945, monthly figures are estimates, subject to revision. (d) Department of Works and Housing, formerly Allied Works Council. (e) Includes Education, Health, Hotels and Restaurants, Professional and Personal Services (except female private domestic).

EMPLOYMENT IN FACTORIES.

(Number of Employees in Thousands excluding Working Proprietors.)

Australia.											
Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Aus-tralia.	Western Aus-tralia.	Tas-man-ia.	Govern-mental (Munitions, Aircraft and Ships). (a)	Other Fac-tories (including War Con-trac-tors). (b)	Total Fac-tories.	Index av. 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.	
										Unad-justed.	Ad-justed. (c)
1928-29(d)	174.1	149.3	43.4	35.4	19.8	10.0	7.1	424.9	432.0	822	889
1937-38(d)	215.6	193.6	49.6	42.6	22.0	12.5	7.4	528.5	535.9	1,019	1,019
1938-39(d)	219.5	193.9	51.5	42.0	22.1	13.2	10.1	532.1	542.2	1,031	1,022
1939-40(d)	227.1	204.4	53.0	43.5	21.9	14.0	16.9	547.0	563.9	1,073	1,053
1940-41(d)	257.0	229.7	54.8	49.5	21.8	15.1	41.5	586.4	627.9	1,194	1,159
1941-42(d)	289.3	250.5	59.5	63.8	23.0	16.7	79.8	623.0	702.8	1,337	1,286
1942-43(d)	306.4	255.6	62.2	71.5	25.1	18.0	121.8	617.0	738.8	1,405	1,339
1943-44(d)	313.8	253.9	62.5	67.9	27.2	19.2	116.0	628.5	744.5	1,416	1,338
1944-45(d)	304.8	249.6	61.8	64.0	28.1	18.9	89.1	638.1	727.2	1,383	1,293
1945-46(d)	296.9	246.3	61.4	60.3	29.1	17.7	42.7f	669.0	711.7	1,354	1,254
1944-45—											
March	304.2	251.3	60.4	64.3	28.5	19.0	83.9	643.8	727.7	1,384	1,290
June	301.7	247.4	61.8	62.5	28.6	18.8	79.4	641.4	720.8	1,371	1,275
1945-46(e)—											
September	292.0	240.0	63.2	58.9	28.0	17.2	58.4	640.9	699.3	1,330	1,235
December	265.9	237.7	58.4	53.8	28.4	16.8	40.8	620.2	661.0	1,257	1,164
March	307.4	252.2	62.9	62.0	29.9	18.1	29.2f	703.3	732.5	1,393	1,287
April	308.5	253.7	58.9	62.6	30.2	18.5	27.7	704.7	732.4	1,393	1,286
May	313.8	255.4	59.3	63.4	30.6	18.7	27.0	714.2	741.2	1,410	1,301
June	315.8	259.2	60.9	64.0	30.9	18.8	26.4	723.2	749.6	1,426	1,314
1946-47(e)—											
July	318.3	261.9	66.4	65.0	31.3	18.7	(g)	(g)	761.6	1,449	1,335
Aug.	321.3	264.1	69.2	65.4	31.5	18.5	..	..	770.0	1,464	1,348

(a) Includes Government munitions and aircraft establishments and naval dockyards, also major aircraft and shipbuilding contractors, but excludes other private factories, of which large numbers undertook war contracts

(b) Includes railway and tramway workshops, electricity and other Governmental institutions not included in previous column. (c) Divided by Index of Total Population. (d) Average of monthly figures.

(e) From July, 1945, monthly figures are estimates, subject to revision. (f) From January to June, 1946, shipbuilding contractors are included in other factories. (g) Series discontinued as from July, 1946.

RETAIL STORES—EMPLOYMENT INDEX.

Compiled from numbers of employees on the last pay-roll of each month shown on pay-roll tax returns of taxable employers whose principal activity was retail trade.

Month.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia (Six States).
MALES—INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT.							
1941—July ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1942—June ..	802	778	842	818	752	812	799
1943—June ..	700	700	701	729	694	756	704
1944—June ..	694	695	697	744	695	781	702
1945—August ..	734	758	762	803	788	867	758
1946—June ..	978	1,011	1,030	1,071	1,125	1,080	1,016
July ..	1,015	1,032	1,050	1,103	1,150	1,089	1,043
August ..	1,019	1,042	1,069	1,125	1,184	1,113	1,055
FEMALES—INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT.							
1941—July ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1942—June ..	1,026	1,014	1,005	1,036	1,060	1,042	1,024
1943—June ..	951	937	1,019	959	974	985	958
1944—June ..	911	909	1,022	977	961	994	935
1945—August ..	965	922	1,055	1,042	1,003	1,060	975
1946—June ..	997	948	1,069	1,070	1,054	1,095	1,005
July ..	999	953	1,066	1,071	1,048	1,077	1,007
August ..	989	957	1,096	1,082	1,043	1,081	1,007
PERSONS—INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT.							
1941—July ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1942—June ..	914	891	914	927	907	915	908
1943—June ..	826	814	842	843	835	860	827
1944—June ..	802	798	841	860	829	877	815
1945—August ..	849	837	892	922	897	953	864
1946—June ..	988	979	1,048	1,071	1,087	1,088	1,005
July ..	1,007	992	1,058	1,087	1,096	1,083	1,020
August ..	1,004	999	1,081	1,103	1,109	1,097	1,026

Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude of Industrial Disputes (causing stoppage of work).

Period.	Num-ber.	Estab-lish-ments In-volved.	Workpeople Involved.			Working Days Lost.			Esti-mated Loss in Wages. £
			Di-rectly.	Indi-rectly.	Total.	New Dis-putes.	Old Dis-putes.	Total.	
NEW SOUTH WALES.									
Year—1945 ..	845	1,201	246,286	15,473	261,759	1,296,407	496,450	1,792,857	2,241,180
1945—June Qtr.	203	304	54,233	10,829	65,062	213,607	10,001	223,608	275,774
Sept. "	256	394	76,406	1,237	77,643	285,365	3,740	289,105	378,505
Dec. "	169	253	62,305	1,776	64,081	643,563	482,709	1,126,272	1,375,441
1946—March "	176	186	37,385	3,000	40,385	133,499	17,688	151,187	194,044
June "	182	363	48,841	1,623	50,464	165,667	15,528	181,195	225,804
VICTORIA.									
Year—1945 ..	34	34	29,162	65	29,227	48,324	2,884	51,208	49,628
1945—June Qtr.	8	8	560	..	560	8,662	..	8,662	7,368
Sept. "	6	6	24,185	..	24,185	24,935	2,596	27,531	27,317
Dec. "	7	7	3,319	..	3,319	8,746	..	8,746	9,187
1946—March "	7	8	867	7	874	4,906	1,705	6,611	6,322
June "	6	175	5,916	76	5,992	61,870	..	61,870	65,535
QUEENSLAND.									
Year—1945 ..	27	363	15,644	99	15,743	200,761	7,242	208,003	206,483
1945—June Qtr.	8	12	1,378	..	1,378	8,932	1,170	10,102	10,739
Sept. "	9	263	6,618	..	6,618	89,386	6,072	95,458	101,141
Dec. "	1	1	1,500	..	1,500	1,500	..	1,500	1,600
1946—March "	7	9	1,130	20	1,150	9,750	..	9,750	10,840
June "	6	59	16,889	..	16,889	530,793	..	530,793	591,977
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.									
Year—1945 ..	13	14	3,819	16	3,835	28,614	300	28,914	27,768
1945—June Qtr.	4	4	1,364	..	1,364	4,712	..	4,712	4,567
Sept. "	2	2	182	..	182	257	..	257	216
Dec. "	2	2	1,984	..	1,984	21,112	..	21,112	20,200
1946—March "	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
June "	1	1	125	..	125	125	..	125	130
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.									
Year—1945 ..	16	25	3,158	644	3,802	23,371	9,120	32,491	35,239
1945—June Qtr.	2	9	424	644	1,068	14,544	..	14,544	13,600
Sept. "	4	5	1,333	..	1,333	5,579	..	5,579	7,299
Dec. "	4	5	1,097	..	1,097	2,290	..	2,290	2,466
1946—March "	2	2	345	..	345	639	..	639	688
June "	1	1	55	..	55	55	..	55	44
TASMANIA.									
Year—1945 ..	10	11	1,572	..	1,572	6,168	..	6,168	7,146
1945—June Qtr.	1	1	44	..	44	88	..	88	143
Sept. "	3	4	971	..	971	4,804	..	4,804	5,530
Dec. "	3	3	202	..	202	546	..	546	630
1946—March "	2	2	51	..	51	917	..	917	680
June "	2	3	306	..	306	3,060	..	3,060	3,400
AUSTRALIA.									
Year—1945 ..	945	1,648	299,641	16,297	315,938	1,603,645	515,996	2,119,641	2,567,444
1945—June Qtr.	226	338	58,003	11,473	69,476	250,545	11,171	261,716	312,191
Sept. "	280	674	109,695	1,237	110,932	410,326	12,408	422,734	520,008
Dec. "	186	271	70,407	1,776	72,183	677,757	482,709	1,160,466	1,409,524
1946—March (a), "	195	208	40,208	3,027	43,235	151,571	19,393	170,964	215,534
June (b), "	200	611	72,239	1,699	73,938	761,707	15,528	777,235	887,076

(a) Includes one dispute in Northern Territory—workpeople involved, 430; working days lost, 1,860; estimated loss in wages, £2,960. (b) Includes one dispute in Australian Capital Territory—workpeople involved, 10; working days lost, 40; estimated loss in wages, £46; and one dispute in Northern Territory—workpeople involved, 97; working days lost, 97; estimated loss in wages, £140.

Average Weekly Total Wages Paid and Average Earnings in Civil Employment.
(Estimates—Subject to Revision.)

Wages which are recorded on Pay-roll Tax Returns represent approximately 80 per cent. of the total for Australia; the balance has been estimated.

Period.	New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia and Northern Territory.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.
AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID.							
Year—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1941-42 ..	4,248	3,032	1,270	883	605	268	10,306
1942-43 ..	4,608	3,195	1,488	940	583	279	11,093
1943-44—							
September Qtr.	4,649	3,228	1,592	948	600	294	11,311
December ..	4,947	3,359	1,677	979	622	304	11,888
March ..	4,584	3,131	1,559	935	593	306	11,108
June ..	4,726	3,222	1,589	972	614	313	11,436
Year ..	4,727	3,235	1,605	958	607	304	11,436
1944-45—							
September Qtr.	4,590	3,135	1,549	962	599	312	11,147
December ..	4,766	3,260	1,553	964	629	306	11,478
March ..	4,551	3,073	1,414	913	619	303	10,873
June ..	4,783	3,223	1,540	911	632	321	11,410
Year ..	4,672	3,173	1,514	937	620	311	11,227
1945-46—							
September Qtr.	4,735	3,183	1,514	932	643	325	11,332
December ..	4,808	3,320	1,555	896	654	322	11,555
March ..	4,767	3,248	1,438	911	667	332	11,363
June ..	5,313	3,638	1,580	1,013	733	367	12,644
Year ..	4,906	3,347	1,522	938	674	336	11,723

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER MALE UNIT.(a)

Year—	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1941-42 ..	5.83	5.78	5.22	5.25	5.47	4.79	5.63
1942-43 ..	6.54	6.57	6.19	5.89	5.84	5.23	6.36
1943-44—							
September Qtr.	6.58	6.80	6.59	6.09	6.09	5.60	6.58
December ..	7.11	7.10	6.86	6.25	6.30	5.70	6.90
March ..	6.59	6.56	6.43	5.95	6.04	5.66	6.44
June ..	6.82	6.79	6.71	6.09	6.24	5.70	6.66
Year ..	6.80	6.81	6.65	6.10	6.17	5.66	6.64
1944-45—							
September Qtr.	6.62	6.60	6.61	5.99	6.08	5.66	6.49
December ..	6.84	6.84	6.72	6.05	6.30	5.59	6.68
March ..	6.50	6.42	6.07	5.78	6.15	5.41	6.30
June ..	6.81	6.75	6.51	5.82	6.25	5.66	6.60
Year ..	6.69	6.66	6.48	5.91	6.20	5.58	6.52
1945-46—							
September Qtr.	6.72	6.67	6.36	5.99	6.32	5.73	6.54
December ..	6.91	6.91	6.43	5.92	6.29	5.66	6.68
March ..	6.38	6.41	5.66	5.74	6.03	5.46	6.18
June ..	6.76	6.85	5.96	6.03	6.25	5.71	6.55
Year ..	6.69	6.71	6.09	5.92	6.22	5.64	6.48

(a) Total civil employment expressed in male units is derived by adding to total male employment 45 per cent. of total female employment.

NOTE.—The above figures are approximations subject to revision when data are sufficient for the final estimate of annual amounts paid and average quarterly earnings.

**Wages.—Adult Males—Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and
Weekly Hours of Labour, 30th June, 1946.**

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
I. Wood, Furniture, &c.	Weekly Wage	125/10	120/6	121/2	116/1	120/9	117/1	122/10
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/10½	2/8½	2/9	2/7¾	2/9	2/8	2/9½
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c.	Weekly Wage	123/0	120/4	119/5	116/10	126/1	121/9	121/2
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.11	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/9½	2/8½	2/8½	2/7¾	2/10½	2/9¼	2/9
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage	120/11	119/2	117/2	116/10	119/7	113/6	119/0
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/9	2/8½	2/8½	2/7¾	2/8½	2/7	2/8½
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c.	Weekly Wage	117/11	119/5	124/6	124/6	120/11	115/1	119/8
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/8½	2/8½	2/10	2/10	2/9	2/7½	2/8½
V. Books, Printing, &c.	Weekly Wage	146/5	137/2	127/0	129/1	146/4	130/6	139/1
	Working Hours	42.49	41.91	42.28	43.56	42.76	43.35	42.39
	Hourly Wage	3/5½	3/3½	3/0	2/11½	3/5	3/0	3/3½
VI. Other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	121/1	119/2	118/9	118/5	120/9	121/3	119/11
	Working Hours	43.97	43.90	43.78	43.71	44.00	43.75	43.86
	Hourly Wage	2/9	2/8½	2/8½	2/8½	2/9	2/9¼	2/8½
VII. Building ..	Weekly Wage	134/0	144/11	125/5	119/5	127/1	123/10	134/1
	Working Hours	43.60	44.00	40.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	3/1	3/3½	3/1½	2/8½	2/10½	2/9½	3/1
VIII. Mining (c) ..	Weekly Wage	128/4	122/0	128/7	103/5	138/10	116/3	127/5
	Working Hours	40.70	40.47	40.93	40.89	40.50	41.33	40.70
	Hourly Wage	3/1¼	3/0¼	3/1¼	2/6¼	3/5¼	2/9¾	3/1½
IX. Rail and Tram Services	Weekly Wage	125/1	124/6	122/9	116/6	121/9	114/9	123/4
	Working Hours	43.80	43.74	44.00	44.00	43.75	44.00	43.83
	Hourly Wage	2/10½	2/10½	2/9½	2/7¾	2/9½	2/7¾	2/9½
X. Other Land Transport	Weekly Wage	117/8	111/4	110/6	107/4	117/6	106/8	113/7
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/8	2/6¼	2/6¼	2/5¼	2/8	2/5	2/7
XI. Shipping, &c. ..	Weekly Wage d	123/9	124/5	120/11	122/5	122/11	122/6	123/2
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, &c.	Weekly Wage e	121/6	119/10	125/1	119/9	122/11	124/2	121/10
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	Weekly Wage e	112/4	112/6	105/8	102/8	108/3	103/0	110/2
	Working Hours	44.00	44.33	44.00	44.00	44.80	44.00	44.17
	Hourly Wage e	2/6¼	2/6¼	2/4¼	2/4	2/5	2/4	2/6
XIV. Miscellaneous ..	Weekly Wage	116/9	116/3	111/2	108/0	115/3	110/6	114/9
	Working Hours	44.00	44.67	44.00	44.65	44.00	43.77	44.26
	Hourly Wage	2/7¾	2/7¼	2/6¼	2/5	2/7¾	2/6¼	2/7
All Groups (a) ..	Weekly Wage	122/4	121/0	120/0	114/11	123/9	117/9	120/11
All Groups except XI. and XII. (a) ..	Weekly Wage	122/6	121/2	118/1	113/0	124/0	114/9	120/7
	Working Hours	43.50	43.91	43.18	44.07	43.15	43.38	43.59
	Hourly Wage	2/9½	2/9	2/8½	2/6¼	2/10¼	2/7¾	2/9¼

(a) Weighted average.

(b) Excludes District allowances in the gold-mining industry.

(c) Average rates of wage and hours prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State.

(d) Average rates of wage are for occupations other than Masters, Officers and Engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of victualling and accommodation, where supplied.

(e) Includes the estimated value of board and lodging, where supplied.

Wages.—Adult Females—Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and Weekly Hours of Labour, 30th June, 1946.

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage	62/0	67/0	59/9	62/5	54/7	65/3	64/1
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	1/5	1/6 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/4 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/5	1/3 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/5 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/5 $\frac{1}{2}$
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c.	Weekly Wage	72/4	73/7	75/9	75/9	64/6	72/0	73/2
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	1/7 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/8	1/8 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/8 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/5 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/7 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/8
I., II., V., & VI. All other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	70/2	75/1	64/11	65/11	..	61/3	71/9
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	43.77	..	44.00	43.99
	Hourly Wage	1/7 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/8 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/5 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/6	..	1/4 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/7 $\frac{1}{2}$
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	Weekly Wage <i>b</i>	65/4	71/7	68/7	59/4	69/3	63/11	67/6
	Working Hours	43.38	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	43.78
	Hourly Wage <i>b</i>	1/6	1/7 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/6 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/4 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/7	1/5 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/6 $\frac{1}{2}$
XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks, &c...	Weekly Wage	77/0	79/6	81/10	55/8	..	..	76/4
	Working Hours	44.00	45.00	44.00	44.00	..	..	44.36
	Hourly Wage	1/9	1/9 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/10 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/3 $\frac{1}{2}$	..	..	1/8 $\frac{1}{2}$
All Groups (a)	Weekly Wage	71/5	74/3	74/3	66/6	66/8	68/10	72/3
	Working Hours	43.88	44.19	44.00	43.99	44.00	44.00	44.03
	Hourly Wage	1/7 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/8 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/8 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/6 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/6 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/6 $\frac{1}{2}$	1/7 $\frac{1}{2}$

(a) Weighted average.

(b) Includes the estimated value of board and lodging where supplied.

Wages.—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly Rates payable for a Full Week's Work, and Wage Index-numbers, 1914 to 30th June, 1946.

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
ADULT MALES—RATES OF WAGE.							
31st December 1914	s. d. 56 2	s. d. 54 7	s. d. 53 5	s. d. 54 5	s. d. 62 10	s. d. 52 8	s. d. 55 7
" " 1938	95 0	91 2	95 10	87 1	99 1	88 5	93 5
" " 1942	118 3	116 7	110 2	112 3	117 7	108 2	115 8
" " 1943	121 3	119 7	116 10	113 9	122 2	116 9	119 5
" " 1944	121 4	119 6	118 0	113 7	121 10	116 6	119 6
30th September, 1945	121 1	120 0	119 5	114 5	122 9	116 3	119 11
31st December, 1945	121 10	120 4	119 10	114 5	122 9	116 11	120 4
31st March, 1946	122 0	120 11	119 10	114 10	122 11	117 8	120 8
30th June, 1946	122 4	121 0	120 0	114 11	123 9	117 9	120 11

ADULT MALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—51s. 3d. (a) IN 1911 = 1,000.)

31st December, 1914	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
" " 1938	1,854	1,780	1,870	1,700	1,933	1,725	1,823
" " 1942	2,308	2,275	2,150	2,189	2,294	2,111	2,257
" " 1943	2,366	2,333	2,279	2,219	2,383	2,279	2,329
" " 1944	2,367	2,332	2,303	2,216	2,377	2,273	2,332
30th September, 1945	2,362	2,341	2,330	2,233	2,395	2,269	2,340
31st December, 1945	2,377	2,347	2,339	2,233	2,395	2,282	2,348
31st March, 1946	2,380	2,359	2,339	2,240	2,398	2,295	2,354
30th June, 1946	2,387	2,362	2,341	2,243	2,415	2,297	2,360

ADULT FEMALES—RATES OF WAGE.

31st December, 1914	s. d. 26 10	s. d. 27 9	s. d. 27 1	s. d. 24 1	s. d. 37 4	s. d. 25 10	s. d. 27 5
" " 1938	51 10	50 7	53 6	47 9	54 4	49 8	51 3
" " 1942	63 10	64 11	66 4	60 3	64 2	61 3	64 4
" " 1943	67 11	70 2	69 9	61 3	66 6	63 3	68 4
" " 1944	71 3	73 11	74 1	65 4	65 10	68 6	71 11
30th September, 1945	71 0	73 11	74 1	66 1	66 0	68 4	71 11
31st December, 1945	71 3	73 11	74 1	66 1	66 0	68 5	72 0
31st March, 1946	71 3	74 0	74 1	66 1	66 0	68 7	72 0
30th June, 1946	71 5	74 3	74 3	66 6	66 8	68 10	72 3

ADULT FEMALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—27s. 2d. (a) IN APRIL, 1914 = 1,000.)

31st December, 1914	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,006
" " 1938	1,907	1,862	1,969	1,758	2,000	1,828	1,887
" " 1942	2,350	2,391	2,442	2,216	2,361	2,255	2,368
" " 1943	2,501	2,582	2,568	2,253	2,446	2,329	2,516
" " 1944	2,622	2,722	2,726	2,406	2,422	2,520	2,647
30th September, 1945	2,612	2,722	2,726	2,431	2,428	2,516	2,646
31st December, 1945	2,623	2,722	2,726	2,431	2,428	2,517	2,650
31st March, 1946	2,623	2,724	2,726	2,431	2,428	2,525	2,650
30th June, 1946	2,628	2,732	2,734	2,446	2,454	2,532	2,659

(a) Weighted average for Australia.

Basic Weekly Wage Rates by State Industrial Tribunals.

State.	Basic Wage.		Date of Operation.	Family Unit (for Male Rate).
	Males.	Females.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
New South Wales ..	(a) 5 1 0	(a) 2 14 6	1.11.46	(b)
Victoria(c) ..	(4 19 0)	(2 13 6)	(1.8.46)	(c)
Queensland ..	(d) 4 18 0	2 15 6	22.7.46	Man, wife and three children
South Australia ..	4 18 6	2 15 0	26.9.46	" " " " "
Western Australia(e)	5 2 1	2 15 1	22.7.46	Man, wife and two children
Tasmania (c) ..	(4 17 0)	(2 12 6)	(1.11.46)	(c)

(a) Sydney Newcastle, Port Kembla-Wollongong; Broken Hill—Males, £5 5s.; Females, £2 16s. 6d.; Elsewhere—Males, £4 18s.; Females, £2 13s. (b) Commonwealth Basic Wage operative—no defined family unit. (c) None declared, but rates shown are those of Commonwealth Court which are followed to a large extent. No defined family unit. (d) South-Eastern Division. Allowances are added for other Divisions:—Northern, 10s.; North-Western, 17s. 4d.; Mackay, 5s. 6d.; South-Western 7s. 4d. Half of these allowances are granted to females. (e) Metropolitan Area. Basic wage from 13.5.46 for Gold-fields Areas and other portions of State excluding the S.W. Land Division—Males, £5 9s.; Females, £2 18s. 10d.; and from 22.7.46 for Agricultural Areas and S.W. Land Division—Males, £5 1s. 6d.; Females, £2 14s. 10d.

Basic Weekly Wage Rates fixed by Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration for each Capital City.(a)

Capital.	1st September, 1939.	1st November, 1945.	1st February, 1946.	1st May, 1946.	1st August, 1946.	1st November, 1946.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Sydney ..	81 0	99 0	99 0	99 0	100 0	101 0
Melbourne ..	81 0	98 0	98 0	98 0	99 0	99 0
Brisbane ..	76 0	93 0	93 0	94 0	94 0	94 0
Adelaide ..	78 0	93 0	94 0	94 0	95 0	95 0
Perth ..	77 0	94 0	94 0	94 0	95 0	95 0
Hobart ..	77 0	94 0	95 0	95 0	96 0	97 0
Six Capitals ..	79 0	96 0	96 0	97 0	98 0	98 0

NOTE.—Female rate generally 54 per cent. of male rate.

(a) "Court" Series Index-numbers—Commonwealth Court's Judgment of 23rd June, 1937. Includes "prosperity loadings" granted by Judgment. No defined family unit.

Awards of Industrial Courts and Wages Board Determinations Made and Industrial Agreements Filled.

State.	1938.		1942.		1943.		1944.		1945.	
	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.
New South Wales ..	64	38	72	23	24	11	36	10	39	19
Victoria ..	90	..	202	..	129	..	110	..	69	..
Queensland ..	38	38	27	..	17	35	14	29	58	33
South Australia ..	6	4	160	12	44	7	31	3	48	6
Western Australia ..	28	31	19	19	6	12	9	9	9	11
Tasmania ..	26	..	10	..	20	..	16	..	6	..
Commonwealth Court ..	31	13	52	20	43	17	45	13	29	23
Commonwealth Public Service Arbitrator ..	3	..	4	..	3	..	4	..	7	..
Total ..	295	124	555	103	286	82	265	64	265	92

Section VII.—Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, Housing, etc.(a)

Note.—The index-numbers on this and the next four pages are related to the period 1923-27. The weighted average prices for these five years for the Six Capitals are made equal to 1,000. In the combined tables the rent of 4 and 5 roomed houses only is taken into account.

The "B" Series represents the Food and Housing portion of the "All Items" ("C" Series) Index published on page 81.

Retail Price Index-Numbers.—Capital Cities.

("B" Series.)

(Base in each Section : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

NOTE.—The index-numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in 1923-27 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000.

CITY.	1938.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1945.		1946.		
							Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.

GROUPS I., II., AND III. COMBINED—FOOD AND GROCERIES.

Sydney	904	962	1,040	1,042	1,025	1,035	1,042	1,029	1,035	1,042	1,032
Melbourne	884	943	1,042	1,055	1,049	1,057	1,063	1,055	1,059	1,062	1,042
Brisbane	838	911	972	975	965	966	965	963	975	982	969
Adelaide	861	905	1,012	1,003	993	1,002	1,011	1,001	1,008	1,017	1,003
Perth	899	981	1,029	1,059	1,056	1,060	1,067	1,051	1,061	1,067	1,057
Hobart	880	970	1,047	1,062	1,035	1,043	1,054	1,062	1,057	1,065	1,069
Six Capitals (b) ..	886	947	1,031	1,037	1,026	1,034	1,040	1,030	1,036	1,042	1,029

GROUP IV.—HOUSING (c)—4 AND 5 ROOMS.

Sydney	1,004	1,043	1,043	1,042	1,043	1,043	1,043	1,043	1,043	1,043	1,043
Melbourne	935	975	975	974	974	973	973	973	973	973	973
Brisbane	841	860	862	862	863	863	863	863	863	863	863
Adelaide	868	893	893	893	892	892	892	892	892	893	894
Perth	872	883	885	885	886	886	886	886	886	886	886
Hobart	913	933	933	931	932	933	933	933	934	936	936
Six Capitals (b) ..	942	976	976	975	976	975	975	975	976	976	976

ALL GROUPS COMBINED.—FOOD, GROCERIES, AND HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMS).

Sydney	941	992	1,039	1,040	1,030	1,036	1,040	1,032	1,035	1,040	1,034
Melbourne	902	953	1,014	1,021	1,017	1,022	1,026	1,021	1,023	1,025	1,013
Brisbane	838	889	927	929	923	924	923	922	929	933	925
Adelaide	862	899	963	958	951	957	962	957	960	966	958
Perth	887	941	971	989	987	990	994	984	990	994	988
Hobart	891	953	1,000	1,009	992	998	1,005	1,010	1,007	1,012	1,014
Six Capitals (b) ..	906	956	1,007	1,011	1,004	1,009	1,013	1,007	1,010	1,014	1,006

(a) See note (a) on page 81.

(b) Weighted Average.

(c) See note (c) on page 82.

Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, and Housing (4 and 5 rooms).
("B" Series.)^(a)

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27 = 1,000.)

State and Town.	1938.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1945.		1946.		
							Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.
NEW SOUTH WALES—											
Sydney	941	992	1,039	1,040	1,030	1,036	1,040	1,032	1,035	1,040	1,034
Newcastle	898	959	1,005	1,000	987	989	993	985	987	991	987
Broken Hill	948	991	1,052	1,044	1,055	1,073	1,076	1,069	1,073	1,080	1,072
Goulburn	908	957	1,009	1,007	999	997	997	993	993	995	993
Bathurst	867	910	957	953	951	958	960	955	961	967	965
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	937	988	1,036	1,036	1,026	1,032	1,036	1,028	1,031	1,036	1,030
VICTORIA—											
Melbourne	902	953	1,014	1,021	1,017	1,022	1,026	1,021	1,023	1,025	1,013
Ballarat	808	841	894	908	907	912	916	912	917	922	913
Bendigo	817	868	920	923	923	926	931	925	928	932	927
Geelong	872	912	956	962	958	957	959	957	962	966	956
Warrnambool .. .	898	941	984	993	995	1,008	1,011	1,019	1,021	1,023	1,019
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	895	946	1,005	1,012	1,009	1,013	1,017	1,012	1,015	1,017	1,005
QUEENSLAND—											
Brisbane	838	889	927	929	923	924	923	922	929	933	925
Toowoomba	806	857	913	927	945	949	947	946	954	952	950
Rockhampton .. .	825	863	901	904	908	917	916	911	916	916	913
Townsville	900	933	974	970	975	979	975	976	986	983	984
Bundaberg	781	835	878	888	886	886	884	880	892	896	892
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	837	886	926	928	926	928	927	925	933	935	929
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—											
Adelaide	862	899	963	958	951	957	962	957	960	966	958
Kadina, &c. .. .	702	738	789	784	776	779	787	783	788	792	789
Port Pirie	838	889	943	932	923	931	937	930	932	940	932
Mount Gambier ..	801	832	879	877	884	895	902	895	901	909	901
Peterborough .. .	836	893	936	926	922	935	941	936	935	941	935
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	855	892	955	950	944	949	955	949	953	958	950
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—											
Perth, &c.	887	941	971	989	987	990	994	984	990	994	988
Kalgoorlie, &c. ..	1,152	1,211	1,160	1,122	1,121	1,128	1,133	1,124	1,136	1,140	1,135
Northam	911	980	1,005	1,001	999	1,001	1,005	995	1,003	1,009	1,002
Bunbury	945	996	1,011	1,010	1,010	1,015	1,019	1,009	1,024	1,029	1,023
Geraldton	974	1,024	1,048	1,069	1,079	1,072	1,076	1,067	1,073	1,078	1,072
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	909	964	988	1,001	1,000	1,002	1,006	997	1,004	1,007	1,002
TASMANIA—											
Hobart	891	953	1,000	1,009	992	998	1,005	1,010	1,007	1,012	1,014
Launceston	867	913	948	953	936	943	949	953	951	954	956
Burnie	880	937	973	998	958	954	962	969	963	967	970
Devonport	846	898	928	942	920	924	931	938	933	939	940
Queenstown	900	947	970	1,005	1,004	1,014	1,022	1,026	1,021	1,026	1,031
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	882	937	978	988	970	977	983	988	985	990	992
THIRTY TOWNS(b) ..	902	952	1,001	1,005	998	1,003	1,007	1,001	1,005	1,008	1,001
SIX CAPITALS(b) ..	906	956	1,007	1,011	1,004	1,009	1,013	1,007	1,010	1,014	1,006
Warwick (Q.) (c) ..	732	817	856	872	886	891	896	893	900	900	899
Port Augusta (S.A.) (c) ..	831	896	932	914	914	925	930	924	927	933	928
Canberra (A.C.T.) (c) (d)	1,043	1,028	1,078	1,073	1,058	1,059	1,060	1,057	1,060	1,061	1,060

(a) See footnote (a) on page 81. (b) Weighted Average. (c) Not included in weighted averages above. (d) New series from 1938. To secure comparison with "B" Series index-numbers for Canberra for periods prior to the September quarter, 1938, the new series index-numbers should be multiplied by 1.090.

RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS—COST OF FOOD AND GROCERIES.

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.			1939.	1945.			1946.				Per- cent- age In- crease from Aug., 1939, to Sept. 1946.	
			Aug.	Month.			Sept. Qtr.	Month.				Sept. Qtr.
				July.	Aug.	Sept.		July.	Aug.	Sept.		
NEW SOUTH WALES—												
Sydney	926	1,044	1,044	1,038	1,042	1,038	1,031	1,028	1,032	11.0		
Newcastle	960	1,057	1,057	1,052	1,055	1,050	1,043	1,039	1,044	8.2		
Broken Hill	1,069	1,283	1,284	1,276	1,281	1,290	1,270	1,264	1,275	18.2		
Goulburn	991	1,072	1,075	1,068	1,072	1,068	1,063	1,064	1,065	7.4		
Bathurst	939	1,041	1,042	1,035	1,039	1,050	1,045	1,045	1,047	11.3		
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	932	1,050	1,050	1,044	1,048	1,044	1,037	1,033	1,038	10.8		
VICTORIA—												
Melbourne	931	1,064	1,065	1,061	1,063	1,047	1,039	1,040	1,042	11.7		
Ballarat	939	1,053	1,055	1,048	1,052	1,058	1,039	1,037	1,045	10.4		
Bendigo	915	1,060	1,054	1,048	1,054	1,056	1,046	1,042	1,048	13.9		
Geelong	942	1,011	1,011	1,006	1,009	1,014	999	999	1,004	6.1		
Warrnambool	952	1,054	1,050	1,078	1,064	1,084	1,074	1,074	1,077	12.8		
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	932	1,062	1,062	1,058	1,061	1,047	1,038	1,039	1,041	11.5		
QUEENSLAND—												
Brisbane	855	967	967	961	965	980	964	962	969	12.5		
Toowoomba	812	1,011	1,008	1,002	1,007	1,010	1,012	1,009	1,010	24.3		
Rockhampton	893	1,022	1,016	1,006	1,015	1,010	1,007	1,004	1,007	12.4		
Townsville	948	1,057	1,047	1,044	1,049	1,059	1,066	1,064	1,063	12.2		
Bundaberg	906	1,031	1,022	1,015	1,023	1,033	1,029	1,027	1,030	13.4		
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	862	982	980	974	979	991	979	977	982	13.3		
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—												
Adelaide	882	1,013	1,013	1,007	1,011	1,013	998	997	1,003	13.0		
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo ..	980	1,049	1,047	1,044	1,047	1,051	1,045	1,050	1,049	7.1		
Port Pirie	1,001	1,087	1,084	1,079	1,083	1,090	1,070	1,071	1,077	7.0		
Mount Gambier	930	1,032	1,025	1,020	1,026	1,035	1,019	1,020	1,025	9.7		
Peterborough	983	1,066	1,066	1,060	1,064	1,063	1,050	1,051	1,055	6.9		
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	891	1,018	1,017	1,011	1,015	1,017	1,003	1,002	1,007	12.5		
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—												
Perth and Fremantle ..	947	1,069	1,069	1,062	1,067	1,067	1,052	1,053	1,057	11.2		
Kalgoorlie and Boulder ..	1,102	1,203	1,201	1,193	1,199	1,201	1,186	1,184	1,190	7.4		
Northam	981	1,080	1,079	1,071	1,077	1,083	1,066	1,067	1,072	8.8		
Bunbury	975	1,057	1,051	1,046	1,051	1,064	1,050	1,051	1,055	7.8		
Geraldton	958	1,094	1,091	1,086	1,090	1,092	1,077	1,076	1,082	12.3		
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	960	1,079	1,078	1,072	1,076	1,078	1,063	1,063	1,068	10.7		
TASMANIA—												
Hobart	914	1,048	1,048	1,067	1,054	1,065	1,061	1,081	1,069	18.3		
Launceston	905	1,004	1,005	1,017	1,009	1,017	1,012	1,025	1,018	13.3		
Burnie	942	1,028	1,026	1,051	1,035	1,046	1,042	1,058	1,049	12.3		
Devonport	930	1,032	1,030	1,054	1,039	1,050	1,046	1,062	1,053	14.2		
Queensdown	1,018	1,159	1,158	1,178	1,165	1,172	1,169	1,181	1,174	16.0		
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	917	1,037	1,037	1,054	1,043	1,052	1,048	1,066	1,055	16.2		
THIRTY TOWNS (a) ..	922	1,044	1,045	1,040	1,043	1,039	1,030	1,029	1,033	11.6		
SIX CAPITALS (a) ..	918	1,042	1,042	1,037	1,040	1,035	1,026	1,025	1,029	11.7		
Lithgow (N.) (b) ..	948	1,066	1,064	1,058	1,063	1,061	1,054	1,054	1,056	11.2		
Yallourn (V.) (b) ..	991	1,056	1,056	1,050	1,054	1,063	1,057	1,057	1,059	6.7		
Warwick (Q.) (b) ..	851	1,001	1,000	995	999	1,001	1,001	1,003	1,002	17.9		
Port Augusta (S.A.) (b) ..	994	1,073	1,071	1,069	1,071	1,074	1,061	1,061	1,065	6.7		
Rosebery (T.) (b) ..	1,028	1,133	1,135	1,154	1,141	1,148	1,148	1,162	1,153	13.0		
Canberra (A.C.T.) (b) ..	1,046	1,114	1,112	1,106	1,111	1,113	1,109	1,107	1,110	5.8		

(a) Weighted average.

(b) Not included in weighted averages above.

THE ALL ITEMS INDEX.

("C" Series.)

Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, Housing (4 and 5 rooms), Clothing and Miscellaneous Household Requirements.(a)

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	1938.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1945.		1946.		
							Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.
NEW SOUTH WALES—											
Sydney	913	1,028	1,107	1,151	1,144	1,142	1,142	1,147	1,151	1,165	1,167
Newcastle ..	877	997	1,069	1,109	1,094	1,100	1,103	1,106	1,108	1,117	1,119
Broken Hill ..	940	1,049	1,132	1,172	1,179	1,192	1,194	1,198	1,203	1,218	1,218
Goulburn	893	1,005	1,087	1,125	1,118	1,114	1,112	1,121	1,123	1,133	1,134
Bathurst	860	974	1,050	1,091	1,088	1,091	1,090	1,099	1,105	1,116	1,120
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	911	1,026	1,104	1,147	1,140	1,139	1,139	1,145	1,148	1,161	1,163
VICTORIA—											
Melbourne	896	1,008	1,100	1,139	1,135	1,135	1,135	1,137	1,141	1,150	1,149
Ballarat	850	950	1,037	1,084	1,083	1,086	1,085	1,085	1,089	1,094	1,095
Bendigo	854	963	1,054	1,096	1,101	1,099	1,099	1,099	1,101	1,105	1,107
Geelong	884	984	1,065	1,110	1,112	1,113	1,114	1,112	1,117	1,126	1,121
Warrnambool ..	892	998	1,078	1,126	1,129	1,139	1,139	1,145	1,146	1,154	1,152
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	893	1,004	1,095	1,135	1,131	1,131	1,132	1,133	1,137	1,146	1,145
QUEENSLAND—											
Brisbane	852	963	1,033	1,072	1,071	1,072	1,069	1,074	1,081	1,090	1,092.
Toowoomba ..	843	951	1,033	1,080	1,085	1,087	1,085	1,088	1,095	1,101	1,106
Rockhampton ..	853	950	1,032	1,073	1,074	1,079	1,077	1,080	1,086	1,092	1,093
Townsville ..	902	1,004	1,075	1,114	1,117	1,114	1,109	1,114	1,123	1,129	1,135
Bundaberg ..	831	938	1,015	1,057	1,057	1,054	1,049	1,056	1,061	1,070	1,073
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	854	964	1,035	1,075	1,075	1,075	1,073	1,077	1,084	1,093	1,095
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—											
Adelaide	888	988	1,075	1,102	1,098	1,102	1,103	1,106	1,110	1,121	1,121
Kadina, &c. ..	786	882	962	998	995	999	1,003	1,005	1,009	1,017	1,023
Port Pirie	868	976	1,057	1,087	1,081	1,085	1,086	1,090	1,092	1,110	1,107
Mount Gambier ..	849	946	1,024	1,061	1,064	1,070	1,073	1,073	1,079	1,095	1,095
Peterborough ..	868	974	1,053	1,087	1,087	1,093	1,096	1,097	1,098	1,109	1,108
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	883	983	1,069	1,097	1,093	1,098	1,099	1,102	1,106	1,116	1,117
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—											
Perth, &c. ..	882	993	1,061	1,104	1,105	1,107	1,108	1,107	1,116	1,127	1,128
Kalgoorlie, &c. ..	1,048	1,165	1,175	1,192	1,199	1,202	1,204	1,202	1,215	1,224	1,223
Northam	900	1,017	1,079	1,111	1,113	1,113	1,114	1,110	1,121	1,135	1,134
Bunbury	914	1,018	1,065	1,102	1,110	1,115	1,116	1,115	1,126	1,136	1,137
Geraldton	957	1,055	1,114	1,165	1,176	1,170	1,172	1,168	1,177	1,189	1,188
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	897	1,008	1,070	1,112	1,113	1,116	1,117	1,115	1,125	1,135	1,137
TASMANIA—											
Hobart	887	1,001	1,078	1,117	1,105	1,107	1,107	1,120	1,120	1,132	1,143
Launceston ..	872	974	1,040	1,078	1,067	1,072	1,073	1,085	1,085	1,096	1,102
Burnie	865	971	1,035	1,088	1,065	1,063	1,065	1,080	1,078	1,091	1,098
Devonport ..	848	951	1,012	1,058	1,040	1,045	1,045	1,060	1,063	1,077	1,086
Queenstown ..	875	987	1,045	1,096	1,102	1,110	1,112	1,118	1,119	1,134	1,151
FIVE TOWNS(b) ..	879	989	1,060	1,101	1,089	1,092	1,092	1,105	1,105	1,117	1,126
THIRTY TOWNS(b) ..	894	1,006	1,087	1,127	1,122	1,123	1,123	1,126	1,131	1,142	1,143
SIX CAPITALS(b) ..	897	1,008	1,091	1,131	1,126	1,126	1,126	1,129	1,134	1,145	1,146
Warwick (Q.)(c) ..	800	926	1,007	1,055	1,061	1,064	1,066	1,071	1,075	1,080	1,085
Port Augusta (S.A.)(c) ..	863	980	1,052	1,076	1,076	1,084	1,086	1,087	1,091	1,102	1,107
Canberra (A.C.T.)(c) ..	966	1,040	1,121	1,168	1,153	1,149	1,148	1,155	1,160	1,170	1,171

(a) Owing to the revisions resulting from the 1936 conference of Statisticians, certain slight breaks of continuity appear after the June, 1936, quarter in the group index-numbers for Rent for certain towns. The revision of the whole system has been so arranged, however, that this break does not extend to the group index-numbers for the Six Capital Cities, or to the index-numbers for all groups combined for individual towns. (b) Weighted Average.

(c) Not included in weighted averages above.

RETAIL PRICES AND PRICE INDEXES.

The All Items ("C" Series) Index and its Sectional or "Group" Index-Numbers for the Six Capital Cities combined, 1914 to 1946.

(Base of Each Section : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27 = 1,000.)(a)

Period.	Food and Groceries.	Rent (4 and 5 Rooms). (c)	Food, Groceries and Rent (4 and 5 Rooms) "B" Series).	Clothing.	Miscellaneous.	All Items ("C" Series).
Year—						
1914 (b) ..	641	649	644	754	749	687
1915 (b) ..	842	659	777	792	786	782
1916 (b) ..	812	665	760	881	802	795
1917 (b) ..	836	685	782	992	882	847
1918 (b) ..	861	722	812	1,097	972	905
1919 (b) ..	1,026	768	934	1,238	1,036	1,022
1920 (b) ..	1,209	851	1,082	1,365	1,194	1,166
1921 (b) ..	950	877	924	1,246	1,010	1,013
1922 (b) ..	945	929	939	1,052	999	975
1923 ..	1,009	950	988	1,045	999	1,003
1924 ..	969	988	975	1,003	1,004	987
1925 ..	998	1,008	1,002	991	992	997
1926 ..	1,023	1,026	1,024	986	998	1,011
1927 ..	1,000	1,030	1,011	975	1,008	1,002
1928 ..	985	1,066	1,014	997	1,010	1,009
1929 ..	1,044	1,073	1,054	996	1,007	1,033
1930 ..	941	1,047	978	951	999	975
1931 ..	826	901	852	853	973	873
1932 ..	796	817	803	804	958	830
1933 ..	751	804	768	787	950	804
1934 ..	783	810	792	785	944	817
1935 ..	806	839	818	783	946	832
1936 ..	825	879	844	792	947	850
1937 ..	851	912	872	811	960	873
1938 ..	886	942	906	829	961	897
1939 ..	927	965	939	841	962	920
1940 ..	939	973	950	956	998	957
1941 ..	947	976	956	1,118	1,060	1,008
1942 ..	1,031	976	1,007	1,308	1,112	1,091
1943 ..	1,037	975	1,011	1,440	1,160	1,131
1944 ..	1,026	976	1,004	1,435	1,165	1,126
1945 ..	1,034	975	1,009	1,425	1,161	1,126
Quarter—						
1939—September ..	920	967	936	836	961	916
1944—June ..	1,026	976	1,004	1,429	1,165	1,125
September ..	1,036	975	1,010	1,433	1,164	1,129
December ..	1,022	975	1,002	1,442	1,163	1,126
1945—March ..	1,028	975	1,005	1,421	1,161	1,123
June ..	1,037	975	1,011	1,416	1,161	1,125
September ..	1,040	975	1,013	1,415	1,161	1,126
December ..	1,030	975	1,007	1,448	1,161	1,129
1946—March ..	1,036	976	1,010	1,456	1,164	1,134
June ..	1,042	976	1,014	1,494	1,167	1,145
September ..	1,029	976	1,006	1,521	1,167	1,146

(a) The index-numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in each group or combination in 1923-27 is made equal to 1,000. (b) November. (c) Rent.—The rent index-numbers shown in the table above and others in this bulletin measure the proportionate rise and fall in the average weekly rentals paid for houses of four and five rooms taking corresponding houses throughout. They are "price" indexes in the strict sense, i.e., they are designed to measure only the "price" element in rent fluctuations. Similarly, "average rents" shown in the ensuing pages are indexes of "price" changes in rentals expressed in terms of pence. They are not the average of rents actually paid by all tenants of 4 and 5-roomed houses. It would be inappropriate to include the average of rents actually paid in an index designed to measure price changes only. The average of rents actually paid is ascertained periodically by Census methods (see also page 2 of Labour Report, No. 34).

**NEW SOUTH WALES—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1946 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1946.**

Article.	Unit.	SYDNEY.			NEWCASTLE.			BROKEN HILL.			GOULBURN.			BATHURST.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread ..	2 lb.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Flour, ordinary ..	"	5.84	5.84	5.84	6.00	6.00	6.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.00	6.00	6.00
" self-raising ..	"	5.10	5.10	5.10	5.43	5.43	5.43	5.14	5.14	5.14	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.40	5.40	5.40
Tea ..	lb.	8.25	8.30	8.30	8.57	8.57	8.57	9.07	9.07	9.07	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.90	8.90	8.90
Sugar ..	"	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.79	27.79	27.79	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.60	27.60	27.60
Rice (Australian)(a)	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.90	4.90	4.90	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.25	4.25	4.25
Sago (a) ..	"	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.79	3.79	3.79	4.64	4.64	4.64	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	6.63	6.63	6.63	7.13	7.13	7.13	8.80	8.80	8.80	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.25	7.25	7.25
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	14.15	14.15	14.30	15.21	15.21	15.21	13.93	13.93	13.93	15.20	15.20	15.20	15.20	15.20	15.20
Oats, flaked (a) ..	lb.	6.95	6.95	6.95	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.71	9.71	9.71	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.00	8.00	8.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	3.88	3.88	3.88	4.08	4.08	4.08	5.30	5.30	5.30	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.44	4.38	4.38
Currants ..	"	12.90	12.90	12.93	13.58	13.58	13.58	13.57	13.57	13.79	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50
Apricots, dried (a)	"	10.65	10.65	10.65	11.17	11.08	11.08	11.43	11.43	11.50	11.10	11.10	11.10	10.80	10.80	10.80
Peaches, canned (a)	30 oz.	16.50	16.50	16.50	17.75	17.75	17.75	18.00	18.00	18.00	15.50	15.50	15.50	16.50	16.50	16.50
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	14.50	14.50	14.50	15.00	15.00	15.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.25	15.25	15.25
Salmon, in tins (a)	lb.	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.50	16.50	16.43	17.25	17.21	17.21	16.75	16.75	16.75	16.50	16.50	16.50
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	22.33	22.33	22.33	22.50	22.50	22.50	20.83	20.83	20.83	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
Onions, brown ..	lb.	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.58	8.58	8.58	11.80	11.80	11.73	8.75	8.75	8.75	8.58	8.58	8.58
Soap ..	lb.	3.25	3.25	3.33	3.36	3.43	3.36	3.71	3.71	3.79	3.00	3.00	3.20	3.50	3.60	3.70
Kerosene ..	quart	6.86	6.86	6.86	7.27	7.27	7.27	7.80	7.80	8.04	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.43	7.43	7.43
		5.82	5.78	5.72	6.25	6.20	6.20	7.63	7.38	7.38	7.08	6.95	6.90	6.53	6.48	6.48
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	20.05	20.05	20.05	20.50	20.50	20.50	22.64	22.64	22.64	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.80	20.80	20.80
Cheese, mild ..	"	17.69	17.36	17.36	17.83	17.83	17.83	18.86	19.00	19.00	18.20	18.20	18.20	18.40	18.40	18.40
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	28.20	24.50	22.15	28.36	24.50	22.29	31.57	26.14	23.00	28.00	24.20	21.80	28.60	24.40	22.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	21.95	21.95	21.95	22.00	22.00	22.00	24.07	24.07	24.07	22.30	22.30	22.30	22.50	22.50	22.50
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.80	9.80	9.80	10.29	10.29	10.29	10.64	10.64	10.64	10.50	10.40	10.40	10.50	10.50	10.50
" fresh ..	quart	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.00	7.00	7.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.50	7.50	7.50
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	12.60	12.55	12.55	12.50	12.50	12.50	16.43	16.00	16.00	12.70	12.70	12.70	12.40	12.40	12.40
" rib ..	"	8.05	8.05	8.05	8.14	8.00	8.00	15.14	14.79	14.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.10	9.10	9.10
" steak, rump ..	"	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	24.00	23.86	23.86	20.20	20.20	20.20	18.00	18.00	18.00
" chuck ..	"	8.55	8.55	8.55	8.50	8.50	8.50	15.93	15.71	15.64	8.90	8.90	8.90	9.10	9.10	9.10
" sausages ..	"	9.10	9.10	9.10	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.80	8.80	8.80	8.80	8.80	8.80
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.43	10.43	10.50	16.00	16.00	16.00	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50
" brisket ..	"	8.10	8.05	8.05	7.93	7.93	7.93	14.00	14.00	14.00	8.60	8.60	8.60	8.70	8.70	8.70
Mutton, leg ..	"	9.05	8.60	8.60	8.86	8.50	8.50	12.00	10.64	10.71	8.80	8.70	8.70	9.20	9.25	9.25
" forequarter ..	"	5.55	5.05	5.05	5.50	5.14	5.14	8.50	8.07	8.07	5.70	5.60	5.80	5.40	5.25	5.25
" loin ..	"	10.60	10.65	10.65	10.71	10.71	10.71	11.00	10.71	10.07	9.60	9.60	9.60	9.80	10.13	10.13
" chops, loin ..	"	11.45	11.45	11.40	11.29	11.29	11.29	14.07	13.64	13.43	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.10	10.10	10.10
" leg ..	"	11.45	11.50	11.50	11.43	11.36	11.36	14.86	13.71	13.50	9.80	9.80	10.00	9.60	9.60	9.63
Pork, leg (a) ..	"	16.60	16.60	15.00	17.86	17.86	15.30	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.60	15.60	16.25	15.00	15.00	15.33
" loin (a) ..	"	17.55	17.55	17.00	18.07	18.07	17.10	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.80	15.80	17.38	15.00	15.00	15.67
" chops (a) ..	"	18.20	18.20	18.00	18.07	18.07	18.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.20	16.20	17.63	15.00	15.00	16.67
House Rents (b) ..																
4 and 5 Rooms		281.22			243.61			191.54			222.97			212.14		

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.
footnote (c), page 82.

(b) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See also

VICTORIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1946; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1946.

Article.	Unit.	MELBOURNE.			BALLARAT.			BENDIGO.			GEELONG.			WARRNAMBOOL.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.55	5.55	5.55	5.86	5.86	5.86	5.82	5.82	5.82	5.75	5.75	5.75	6.25	6.25	6.25
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.30	4.30	4.30	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.86	4.86	4.86	4.30	4.30	4.30	4.60	4.60	4.60
" self-raising ..	"	7.40	7.40	7.40	8.21	8.21	8.21	8.07	8.07	8.07	7.80	7.80	7.80	8.10	8.10	8.10
Tea ..	lb.	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.28	4.28	4.28	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.25
Rice (Austrian)(a)	"	3.60	3.60	3.60	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.80	3.80	3.80
Sago (a) ..	"	6.88	6.88	6.88	7.17	7.17	7.17	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.75	6.75	6.75
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	11.60	11.60	11.60	11.93	11.93	11.93	12.07	12.14	12.14	11.90	11.90	11.90	12.20	12.20	12.20
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	7.30	7.30	7.30	7.57	7.57	7.57	7.71	7.79	7.71	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.60	7.70	7.70
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.92	3.89	3.92	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.10	4.10	4.10	3.85	3.85	3.85	4.19	4.19	4.19
Raisins, seeded ..	"	13.11	13.11	13.11	12.79	12.79	12.79	13.29	13.29	13.29	12.50	12.50	12.60	13.20	13.20	13.20
Currants ..	"	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.43	10.43	10.43	10.71	10.71	10.71	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.70	10.80	10.80
Apricots, dried (a)	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
Peaches, canned (a)	30 oz.	14.50	14.38	14.38	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.25	14.25	14.13	14.00	14.25	14.00	14.67	14.75	14.75
Pears, canned (a)	"	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.75	15.50	15.63	15.67	15.67	15.13	15.00	15.38	15.38	16.00	16.00	16.00
Salmon, in tins (a)	lb.	21.25	21.25	21.25	21.25	21.25	21.25	20.67	20.67	20.67	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.38	21.38	21.38
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.36	8.36	8.30	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40
Onions, brown ..	lb.	2.50	2.56	2.50	2.64	2.68	2.71	2.70	2.70	2.79	2.48	2.48	2.48	2.50	2.50	2.50
Soap ..	"	7.11	7.11	7.11	7.20	7.20	7.20	7.52	7.52	7.52	7.13	7.13	7.13	7.68	7.68	7.68
Kerosene ..	quart	6.33	6.19	6.17	6.43	6.43	6.39	6.69	6.52	6.48	6.20	5.93	5.93	7.00	6.80	6.80
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.43	20.43	20.43	20.86	20.86	20.86	20.30	20.30	20.30	20.80	20.80	20.80
Cheese, mild ..	"	16.28	16.28	16.28	15.93	15.93	15.93	16.86	16.86	16.86	15.88	15.88	15.88	16.50	16.50	16.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	28.00	24.00	22.00	28.00	24.00	21.71	28.00	25.20	22.00	28.00	24.00	22.00	28.00	24.25	22.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	22.72	22.72	22.72	23.33	23.33	23.33	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.70	22.70	22.70
Milk, condensed ..	tin	10.35	10.30	10.35	10.43	10.43	10.43	10.93	10.93	10.93	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.50	10.50	10.50
" fresh ..	quart	7.45	7.45	7.45	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.10	7.10	7.10	7.13	7.13	7.13
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	13.15	13.10	13.10	12.93	12.57	12.57	12.64	12.29	12.29	11.80	11.50	11.50	13.40	13.20	13.20
" rib ..	"	10.75	10.65	10.65	10.57	10.29	10.29	9.57	9.42	9.42	8.80	8.50	8.50	10.50	10.30	10.30
" steak, rump ..	"	20.30	20.30	20.30	20.14	20.14	20.14	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.80	18.80	18.80
" chuck ..	"	9.70	9.60	9.85	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.93	9.86	9.86	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.80	9.60	9.60
" sausages ..	"	7.90	7.90	7.80	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.40	8.20	8.20
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	11.45	11.40	11.75	11.50	11.14	11.14	10.79	10.57	10.50	10.80	10.50	10.50	12.20	11.80	11.80
" brisket ..	"	8.70	8.70	8.85	8.50	8.57	8.57	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.50	8.40	8.40	9.40	9.20	9.20
Mutton, leg ..	"	11.15	11.00	11.11	11.43	11.00	11.00	11.29	11.07	11.07	10.80	10.50	10.50	12.20	12.00	12.00
" forequarter ..	"	6.85	6.61	6.50	7.00	6.14	6.14	6.64	6.36	6.29	6.70	6.20	6.20	7.80	7.80	7.70
" loin ..	"	9.40	9.22	9.56	9.71	8.64	8.64	9.57	9.07	8.86	8.60	7.70	7.70	10.80	10.60	10.60
" chops, loin ..	"	10.50	10.28	10.39	11.00	9.71	9.71	10.86	10.36	10.21	9.20	8.50	8.50	11.80	11.60	11.60
" leg ..	"	11.40	11.33	11.39	12.14	11.86	11.86	11.93	11.71	11.43	11.40	11.00	11.00	12.60	12.40	12.40
Pork, leg (a) ..	"	15.95	15.95	15.50	15.43	15.43	15.50	15.75	15.75	15.50	15.00	15.00	15.50	14.80	14.80	15.50
" loin (a) ..	"	16.80	16.80	16.50	16.00	16.00	16.50	16.00	16.00	17.00	15.40	15.40	16.50	14.80	14.80	16.50
" chops (a) ..	"	17.65	17.65	17.50	17.43	17.43	17.50	17.25	17.25	18.00	16.00	16.00	17.50	15.80	15.80	17.50
House Rents (b) ..	4 and 5 Rooms		262.46			179.81			186.85			239.28			234.94	

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.
footnote (c), page 82.

(b) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See also

QUEENSLAND—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 30th OF SEPTEMBER, 1946.
FOR THE YEAR 1946; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1946.

RETAIL PRICES AND HOUSE RENTS.

Article.	Unit.	BRISBANE.			TOOWOOMBA.			ROCKHAMPTON.			TOWNSVILLE.			BUNDABERG.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.09	4.09	4.09	4.50	4.50	4.50	5.36	5.36	5.36	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.50	4.50	4.70
" self-raising ..	"	8.59	8.59	8.59	9.36	9.36	9.36	9.86	9.86	9.86	9.40	9.40	9.40	9.60	9.60	9.60
Tea ..	lb.	27.05	27.05	27.05	27.57	27.57	27.57	28.07	28.07	28.07	28.10	28.10	28.10	28.00	28.00	28.00
Sugar ..	"	3.93	3.93	3.93	4.20	4.20	4.20	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.65	4.65	4.65	3.97	3.97	3.97
Rice (Australian)(a)	"	3.57	3.57	3.57	3.83	3.83	3.83	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.20	4.20	4.20	4.00	4.00	4.00
Sago (a) ..	"	6.63	6.63	6.63	7.25	7.25	7.25	6.75	6.75	6.75	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	12.66	12.66	12.43	12.80	12.80	12.80	14.00	14.00	13.86	14.00	14.00	14.00	13.30	13.40	13.10
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	6.86	6.86	6.86	7.86	7.86	7.86	8.07	8.07	8.07	8.10	8.10	8.10	7.60	7.60	7.60
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	4.14	4.14	4.14	4.60	4.60	4.60	4.70	4.70	4.70	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.13	4.13	4.13
Raisins, seeded ..	"	12.91	12.91	12.91	13.64	13.64	13.64	13.50	13.50	13.50	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.60	11.60	11.60
Currants ..	"	11.33	11.35	11.28	11.29	11.29	11.29	11.58	11.58	11.58	18.00	18.00	18.00	16.00	16.00	16.00
Apricots, dried (a)	"	17.25	17.25	17.25	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	16.40	16.40	17.00	16.38	16.38	16.38
Peaches, canned (a)	30 oz.	16.19	16.19	16.19	16.83	16.83	16.83	16.57	16.57	16.57	17.10	17.10	18.00	16.50	16.50	16.50
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	17.07	17.07	17.07	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.29	17.29	17.36	24.00	24.00	24.00	21.00	21.00	21.00
Salmon, in tins (a)	lb.	21.33	21.33	21.33	24.63	24.63	24.63	20.50	20.50	20.50	11.00	11.00	9.25	8.80	8.80	8.90
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.36	8.36	8.36	8.79	8.79	8.79	9.50	9.50	9.50	3.38	3.38	3.38	3.05	3.20	3.50
Onions, brown ..	lb.	2.98	2.98	2.98	3.07	3.07	3.07	3.36	3.36	3.36	7.26	7.26	7.26	7.06	7.06	7.06
Soap ..	"	6.97	6.97	6.97	7.38	7.38	7.38	7.38	7.38	7.38	6.49	6.41	6.41	5.88	5.75	5.70
Kerosene ..	quart	5.33	5.20	5.25	6.00	5.82	5.81	6.64	6.42	6.39						
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	19.82	19.82	19.82	19.86	19.86	19.86	20.14	20.14	20.14	22.00	21.80	21.80	19.80	19.80	19.80
Cheese, mild ..	"	15.14	15.14	15.14	15.21	15.21	15.21	15.71	15.71	15.71	16.50	16.30	16.30	15.40	15.40	15.40
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	27.91	24.00	22.00	27.83	24.83	21.33	26.86	20.00	17.71	25.00	25.00	25.00	28.00	21.00	17.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	22.14	22.14	22.14	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.43	22.43	22.43	21.90	21.90	21.90	22.00	22.00	21.80
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.77	9.77	9.77	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.79	10.79	10.79	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.10	10.10	10.10
" fresh ..	quart	7.10	7.10	7.10	7.57	7.57	7.57	6.86	6.86	6.86	9.60	9.80	9.80	8.00	8.00	8.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	12.50	12.05	12.05	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.50	11.50	11.50	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
" rib ..	"	6.78	6.17	6.17	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.75	6.75	6.75	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
" steak, rump ..	"	17.55	17.05	17.05	17.00	17.00	17.00	14.50	14.50	14.50	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
" chuck ..	"	7.90	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	9.40	9.40	9.40
" sausages ..	"	8.13	8.06	8.06	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.43	8.43	8.43	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	10.70	10.05	10.05	11.00	12.00	12.00	10.50	11.43	11.29	10.00	11.00	11.00	11.50	12.00	12.20
" brisket ..	"	8.10	7.60	7.55	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.50	10.50	10.33	7.00	8.00	8.00	9.40	10.00	10.20
Mutton, leg ..	"	8.70	8.55	8.55	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.07	9.07	9.07	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
" forequarter ..	"	5.25	5.05	5.05	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	7.00	7.00	7.20
" loin ..	"	7.94	7.78	7.78	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.20	9.20	9.20
" chops, loin ..	"	9.15	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.07	9.07	9.00	8.40	8.40	8.40	10.00	10.00	10.00
" leg ..	"	8.50	8.50	8.50	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.07	9.07	9.00	8.40	8.40	8.40	10.00	10.00	10.00
Pork, leg (a) ..	"	16.07	16.07	15.13	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.86	15.86	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.80	15.80	15.00
" loin (a) ..	"	15.86	15.86	16.25	15.00	15.00	16.00	15.86	15.86	15.86	13.00	13.00	15.75	15.80	15.80	16.00
" chops (a) ..	"	16.00	16.00	17.13	15.00	15.00	16.57	15.86	15.86	16.71	13.00	13.00	15.00	16.80	16.80	16.60
House Rents (b) ..	4 and 5 Rooms		232.80			216.82			208.11			217.84			171.55	

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.
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(b) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See also

SOUTH AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1946 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1946.

Article.	Unit.	ADELAIDE.			KADINA.			PORT PIRIE.			MOUNT GAMBIER.			PETERBOROUGH.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.75	5.75	5.75	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.55	4.55	4.55	4.93	4.93	4.93	5.07	5.07	5.07	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
" self-raising ..	"	7.20	7.20	7.20	8.64	8.64	8.64	8.86	8.86	8.86	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.63	8.63	8.63
Tea ..	lb.	27.10	27.10	27.10	27.82	27.75	27.75	27.14	27.14	27.14	27.40	27.40	27.40	28.00	28.00	28.00
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.12	4.12	4.12	4.19	4.19	4.19	4.33	4.33	4.33	4.50	4.50	4.50
Rice (Australian)(a)	"	3.50	3.50	3.50	4.10	4.10	4.10	4.63	4.63	4.63	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.25
Sago (a) ..	"	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.75	6.75	6.75	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.50	7.50	7.50
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	13.20	13.20	13.25	13.79	13.79	13.79	13.86	13.86	13.86	13.80	13.80	13.80	13.63	13.63	13.63
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	6.95	6.95	6.95	8.43	8.29	8.29	8.86	8.86	8.86	8.30	8.20	8.20	8.63	8.63	8.63
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.75	3.75	3.75	4.50	4.50	4.25	4.13	4.13	4.13	3.75	3.75	3.75	4.50	4.25	4.50
Raisins, seeded ..	"	11.75	11.75	11.75	12.50	12.50	12.50	13.59	13.59	13.59	12.80	12.80	12.80	13.00	13.00	13.00
Currants ..	"	9.90	9.90	9.90	10.64	10.79	10.79	10.86	10.86	10.86	10.70	10.70	10.70	11.00	11.00	11.00
Apricots, dried (a)	"	17.38	17.38	17.38	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.67	16.67	16.67	17.67	17.67	17.67	18.00	18.00	18.00
Peaches, canned (a)	30 oz.	14.50	14.50	14.50	15.30	15.10	15.10	16.00	15.70	15.70	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.75	15.67	15.67
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.50	15.33	15.33	16.25	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.75	15.67	15.67
Salmon, in tins (a)	lb.	20.80	20.80	20.80	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.00	19.00	19.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.78	8.78	8.78	10.17	10.17	10.17	10.36	10.36	10.36	7.96	7.96	7.96	10.38	10.38	10.38
Onions, brown ..	lb.	2.80	3.00	3.00	2.83	2.83	2.83	3.14	3.14	3.14	2.50	2.38	2.50	3.00	3.00	3.00
Soap ..	"	7.36	7.36	7.36	7.71	7.67	7.67	7.38	7.38	7.38	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.75	7.75	7.75
Kerosene ..	quart	5.21	4.96	4.96	5.70	5.48	5.48	6.27	5.91	5.91	5.85	5.55	5.55	6.13	5.94	5.88
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	20.00	20.00	20.00	21.07	21.14	21.14	20.86	20.86	20.86	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.63	20.63	20.63
Cheese, mild ..	"	14.78	14.78	14.78	16.33	16.33	16.33	16.67	16.67	16.67	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.50	16.50	16.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	28.55	24.94	22.50	23.80	20.17	18.50	25.33	19.92	18.00	24.40	19.20	15.80	23.00	20.00	18.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	19.90	19.90	19.90	20.57	20.50	20.50	20.25	20.25	20.25	20.00	20.10	20.10	20.50	20.50	20.50
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.30	9.30	9.30	10.29	10.36	10.36	10.36	10.36	10.36	10.40	10.40	10.40	9.88	9.88	9.88
" fresh ..	quart	6.50	6.50	6.50	7.00	7.43	7.57	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.80	6.80	6.80	8.00	8.00	8.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.14	11.14	10.64	10.57	10.57	12.60	12.40	12.40	11.17	11.00	11.00
" rib ..	"	9.50	9.50	9.50	10.64	10.43	10.43	10.00	9.93	9.93	10.25	10.00	10.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
" steak, rump ..	"	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.86	15.64	15.64	17.71	17.50	17.50	16.00	15.90	15.90	16.83	16.50	16.50
" chuck ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.57	10.50	10.50	12.00	12.00	12.00	9.10	9.10	9.10	10.17	10.33	10.33
" sausages ..	"	7.44	7.44	7.44	7.71	7.71	7.71	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	11.50	11.45	11.45	12.07	12.07	12.07	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.10	10.90	10.90	11.00	11.00	11.00
" " briskeet ..	"	8.50	8.50	8.50	9.93	9.93	9.93	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.20	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Mutton, leg ..	"	11.90	10.55	10.50	10.86	10.43	10.43	12.00	10.57	10.57	11.50	10.70	10.70	12.00	11.17	10.83
" forequarter ..	"	6.45	5.95	5.95	7.36	6.93	6.93	8.00	7.50	7.50	6.30	5.90	5.90	6.17	5.83	5.83
" loin ..	"	9.95	9.35	9.35	10.00	9.79	9.79	10.57	10.29	10.21	9.20	9.10	9.10	9.83	9.67	9.67
" chops, loin ..	"	10.45	10.00	9.90	10.86	10.50	10.50	12.14	11.50	11.50	10.30	9.90	9.80	10.50	10.00	10.00
" " leg ..	"	12.35	11.05	11.00	11.00	10.64	10.71	12.86	11.50	11.50	11.80	10.80	10.80	13.00	11.67	11.67
Pork, leg (a) ..	"	14.00	14.00	15.00	12.00	12.00	15.00	13.14	13.14	15.00	12.00	12.00	15.00	13.33	13.33	15.00
" loin (a) ..	"	14.30	14.30	15.40	12.00	12.00	15.00	12.57	12.57	15.00	12.00	12.00	15.00	12.00	12.00	15.00
" chops (a) ..	"	14.90	14.90	16.20	12.57	12.57	15.83	14.00	14.00	16.00	13.00	13.00	16.00	13.33	13.33	16.00
House Rents (b) ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	240.95	..	..	98.07	..	..	179.12	..	..	179.81	..	..	189.95	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.
footnote (c), page 82.

(b) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See also

WESTERN AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1946 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1946.

RETAIL PRICES AND HOUSE RENTS.

Article.	Unit.	PERTH.			KALGOORLIE.			NORTHAM.			BUNBURY.			GERALDTON.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.75	4.75	4.75	5.00	5.00	5.00
" self-raising ..	"	7.95	7.95	7.95	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	9.00	9.00	9.00
Tea ..	lb.	27.00	27.00	27.00	28.93	28.93	28.93	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.25	27.25	27.25	28.00	28.00	28.00
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.23	4.23	4.23	4.50	4.50	4.50
Rice (Australian)(a) ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	5.17	5.17	5.17	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.23	4.50	4.50	6.00	6.00	6.00
Sago (a) ..	"	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.50	12.50	12.50	11.63	11.63	11.63	11.50	11.50	9.00	8.90	8.90	8.90
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	7.95	7.95	8.00	10.50	10.50	10.50	8.88	8.88	8.88	9.00	9.00	9.00	4.95	4.95	5.00
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	4.50	4.50	4.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.88	4.88	4.88	13.50	13.60	13.60
Raisins, seeded ..	"	12.90	13.00	13.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	13.38	13.38	13.38	13.38	13.38	13.38	11.00	11.00	11.00
Currants ..	"	10.45	10.45	10.45	11.50	11.50	11.50	10.88	10.88	10.88	11.00	11.00	11.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
Apricots, dried (a) ..	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	19.06	19.06	19.06	16.50	16.50	16.50
Peaches, canned (a) ..	30 oz.	15.50	15.50	15.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	16.33	16.33	16.33	16.50	16.50	16.50	17.38	17.38	17.38
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	16.45	16.45	16.45	19.42	19.42	19.42	17.17	17.17	17.17	17.50	17.50	17.50	23.00	23.00	23.00
Salmon, in tins (a) ..	lb.	20.00	20.00	20.00	24.67	24.67	24.67	20.00	20.00	20.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	9.30	9.30	9.40
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.43	8.43	8.43	10.14	10.07	10.14	9.13	9.13	9.13	8.85	8.85	8.85	3.50	3.50	3.50
Onions, brown ..	lb.	3.05	3.11	3.11	3.57	3.71	3.67	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	7.67	7.67	7.67
Soap ..	"	7.33	7.33	7.33	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.42	7.42	7.42	7.33	7.42	7.42	6.88	6.73	6.68
Kerosene ..	quart	6.12	5.96	5.88	8.04	7.75	7.81	6.85	6.50	6.50	7.00	6.79	6.79			
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	21.00	21.00	21.00	22.93	22.93	22.93	21.50	21.50	21.50	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.50	21.50	21.50
Cheese, mild ..	"	17.00	17.00	17.00	18.42	18.42	18.50	17.63	17.63	17.63	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	28.00	24.00	22.00	31.43	28.14	24.57	28.00	23.25	18.00	27.50	24.00	19.00	25.80	21.40	18.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	20.50	20.50	20.50	21.71	21.71	21.71	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.90	9.90	9.95	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.25	10.25	10.25	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50
" fresh ..	quart	8.00	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	13.00	13.00	13.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
" rib ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
" steak, rump ..	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
" chuck ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
" sausages ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.75	8.67	8.67	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
" brisket ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Mutton, leg ..	"	11.00	10.00	10.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	11.00	10.00	10.00
" forequarter ..	"	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	10.33	9.67	9.33
" loin ..	"	10.80	9.90	9.90	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	11.00	10.00	10.00
" chops, loin ..	"	11.00	10.00	10.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	11.00	10.00	10.00
" leg ..	"	11.00	10.00	10.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	12.75	12.75	15.00	12.20	12.20	15.00	14.00	14.00	15.00
Pork, leg (a) ..	"	14.30	14.30	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	12.50	12.50	16.00	12.00	12.00	16.00	14.00	14.00	16.00
" loin (a) ..	"	14.30	14.30	16.00	14.71	14.71	16.00	12.75	12.75	17.00	12.00	12.00	17.00	14.33	14.33	17.00
" chops (a) ..	"	14.30	14.30	17.00	15.57	15.57	17.00									
House Rents (b) ..	4 and 5 Rooms		238.93			265.65			226.42			246.44			267.67	

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.
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(b) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See also

**TASMANIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
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RETAIL PRICES AND HOUSE RENTS.

Article.	Unit.	HOBART.			LAUNCESTON.			BURNIE.			DEVONPORT.			QUEENSTOWN.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	s.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.90	5.90	5.90	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.55	4.55	4.55	4.36	4.36	4.36	4.80	4.80	4.80	4.60	4.60	4.60	5.00	5.00	5.00
" self-raising ..	"	7.45	7.45	7.45	7.29	7.29	7.29	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.75	7.75	7.75
Tea ..	lb.	27.05	27.05	27.05	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.10	27.10	27.10	27.13	27.13	27.13
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.05	4.05	4.05	4.25	4.25	4.25
Rice (Australian)(a)	"	3.86	3.86	3.86	3.80	3.80	3.80	4.17	4.17	4.17	3.83	3.83	3.83	4.17	4.17	4.17
Sago (a) ..	"	7.63	7.63	7.63	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.50	7.50	7.50	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.67	7.67	7.67
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.60	9.50	9.50	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.63	10.63	10.63
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	8.05	8.05	8.05	7.79	7.79	7.79	8.00	7.90	7.90	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.88	8.88	8.88
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	3.78	3.78	3.78	3.75	3.75	3.75	3.80	3.80	3.80	3.80	3.80	3.81	4.00	4.00	4.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	12.95	12.95	12.95	12.86	12.86	12.86	12.80	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.50	13.50	13.50
Currents ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.71	10.71	10.71	10.80	10.80	10.80	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.25	11.25	11.25
Apricots, dried (a)	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	16.25	16.25	16.25	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.00	17.00	17.00	18.25	18.25	18.25
Peaches, canned (a)	30 oz.	15.07	14.67	14.67	15.40	15.40	15.40	15.25	15.25	15.25	15.38	15.38	15.38	16.17	15.33	15.67
Pears, canned (a) ..	lb.	15.70	15.19	16.00	16.38	15.40	15.33	15.88	15.88	15.33	15.50	15.30	15.20	16.67	16.17	16.33
Salmon, in tins (a)	"	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.17	22.17	22.17	19.83	19.83	19.83
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	10.40	10.40	10.40
Onions, brown ..	lb.	3.44	3.44	3.44	3.21	3.21	3.21	2.90	2.90	2.90	3.20	3.20	3.20	3.38	3.38	3.38
Soap ..	"	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.67	7.67	7.67
Kerosene ..	quart	6.88	6.72	6.68	6.76	6.72	6.72	6.88	6.75	6.68	6.56	6.35	6.35	7.38	7.38	7.31
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.13	20.13	20.13
Cheese, mild ..	"	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.67	15.75	15.75	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.50	17.00	17.00
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	28.00	24.00	22.00	28.00	24.17	22.00	28.50	25.00	23.00	28.00	24.00	22.00	29.63	29.63	29.83
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.71	20.71	20.71	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.38	21.38	21.38
Milk, condensed ..	tin	10.45	10.45	10.45	10.29	10.29	10.29	10.40	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.75	10.75	10.75
" fresh ..	quart	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	13.00	13.00	14.20	11.71	11.71	12.43	12.00	12.00	13.00	12.00	12.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	14.00
" rib ..	"	11.10	11.10	12.00	10.00	10.00	10.71	10.88	10.88	11.88	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.00
" steak, rump ..	"	18.00	18.00	19.10	16.57	16.57	17.43	15.75	15.75	16.75	16.00	16.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	18.00
" chuck ..	"	10.90	11.00	12.10	9.57	9.57	10.43	10.00	10.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	11.00	13.00	13.00	13.67
" sausages ..	"	8.56	8.56	8.50	8.14	8.14	8.14	8.75	8.75	8.75	8.33	8.33	8.67	10.00	10.00	10.33
Beef (corned) silver-																
side ..	"	13.00	13.00	14.20	10.86	10.86	11.57	11.00	11.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	12.00	13.00	13.00	13.67
" brisket ..	"	10.45	10.45	11.75	9.43	9.43	10.14	10.00	10.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.67
Mutton, leg ..	"	11.50	11.50	11.75	10.58	10.58	10.67	11.38	11.38	11.38	11.50	11.50	11.50	13.50	13.50	13.50
" forequarter ..	"	7.45	7.45	7.60	7.00	7.00	7.17	7.38	7.38	7.38	7.50	7.50	7.50	11.50	11.50	11.50
" loin ..	"	10.95	10.95	11.00	10.00	10.00	10.17	10.38	10.38	10.38	10.50	10.50	10.50	13.50	13.50	13.50
" chops, loin ..	"	11.50	11.50	11.75	10.42	10.42	10.50	11.38	11.38	11.38	11.50	11.50	11.50	13.50	13.50	13.50
Pork, leg ..	"	12.45	12.45	12.65	10.75	10.75	10.83	11.38	11.38	11.38	11.50	11.50	11.50	13.50	13.50	13.50
" loin ..	"	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
" chops ..	"	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
House Rents (b) ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	252.26	..	..	232.88	..	..	214.51	..	..	193.77	..	..	204.78	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.
footnote (c), page 82.

(b) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See also

Section VIII.—Wholesale Price Index-Numbers.

MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

(Base : 1911 = 1,000.)

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Wool, Cotton, Leather, &c.	Agri- cultural Pro- duce, &c.	Dairy Pro- duce.	Gro- ceries.	Meat.	Building Ma- terials.	Chem- icals.	All Groups.	
1861..	..	1,438	1,381	1,583	1,008	1,963	..	1,070	2,030	1,538
1871..	..	1,096	1,257	1,236	864	1,586	..	1,044	1,409	1,220
1881..	..	1,178	1,115	1,012	935	1,421	..	1,091	1,587	1,121
1891..	..	895	847	1,024	995	1,032	888	780	1,194	945
1901..	..	1,061	774	928	1,029	1,048	1,345	841	917	974
1902..	..	1,007	756	1,192	1,215	945	1,447	837	881	1,051
1903..	..	923	834	1,209	1,059	936	1,443	875	921	1,049
1904..	..	821	885	754	876	916	1,427	845	875	890
1905..	..	772	850	894	980	942	1,209	801	859	910
1906..	..	882	978	916	972	923	1,110	896	864	948
1907..	..	1,037	1,017	973	1,020	948	1,294	968	961	1,021
1908..	..	1,033	901	1,312	1,198	968	1,335	935	891	1,115
1909..	..	1,014	907	1,000	1,119	978	1,088	911	815	993
1910..	..	1,004	1,052	969	1,100	999	1,008	996	898	1,003
1911..	..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1912..	..	1,021	991	1,370	1,206	1,052	1,357	1,057	978	1,170
1913..	..	1,046	1,070	1,097	1,054	1,024	1,252	1,128	995	1,088
1914..	..	1,099	1,032	1,207	1,137	1,021	1,507	1,081	1,253	1,148
1915..	..	1,284	1,017	2,162	1,530	1,133	2,435	1,275	1,528	1,604
1916..	..	1,695	1,423	1,208	1,485	1,322	2,515	1,491	1,760	1,504
1917..	..	2,129	2,008	1,157	1,423	1,343	2,403	1,884	2,171	1,662
1918..	..	2,416	2,360	1,444	1,454	1,422	2,385	2,686	3,225	1,934
1919..	..	2,125	2,363	1,985	1,651	1,516	2,348	2,851	2,898	2,058
1920..	..	2,298	2,624	2,439	2,209	1,918	3,279	3,226	2,825	2,480
1921..	..	2,173	1,362	1,767	2,000	1,976	2,158	2,733	2,303	1,903
1922..	..	1,942	1,681	1,628	1,648	1,869	1,787	2,005	1,965	1,758
1923..	..	1,826	2,148	1,778	1,837	1,746	2,579	2,025	1,933	1,944
1924..	..	1,835	2,418	1,647	1,655	1,721	2,223	1,815	1,806	1,885
1925..	..	1,852	1,967	1,797	1,636	1,723	2,212	1,711	1,790	1,844
1926..	..	1,938	1,582	2,001	1,784	1,731	1,931	1,665	1,816	1,832
1927..	..	1,962	1,650	1,826	1,823	1,724	2,111	1,624	1,866	1,817
1928..	..	1,912	1,781	1,726	1,751	1,707	2,015	1,744	1,923	1,792
1929..	..	1,912	1,556	1,702	1,853	1,690	2,246	1,754	1,942	1,803
1930..	..	1,866	1,127	1,484	1,624	1,666	2,025	1,875	1,982	1,596
1931..	..	1,826	1,039	1,121	1,399	1,794	1,508	2,025	2,166	1,428
1932..	..	1,736	1,000	1,230	1,303	1,767	1,348	2,043	2,127	1,411
1933..	..	1,713	1,118	1,175	1,195	1,714	1,487	2,061	2,106	1,409
1934..	..	1,660	1,261	1,288	1,274	1,735	1,540	2,015	2,018	1,471
1935..	..	1,602	1,217	1,344	1,325	1,729	1,508	1,964	1,996	1,469
1936..	..	1,566	1,331	1,480	1,351	1,731	1,684	1,969	1,997	1,543
1937..	..	1,772	1,406	1,604	1,451	1,750	1,678	2,430	2,006	1,656
1938..	..	1,746	1,051	1,789	1,549	1,747	1,871	2,238	2,059	1,662
1939..	..	1,758	1,101	1,820	1,557	1,752	1,710	2,220	2,075	1,665
1940..	..	1,854	1,362	1,568	1,567	1,784	1,882	2,890	2,298	1,713
1941..	..	1,960	1,402	1,721	1,554	1,884	1,776	3,138	2,527	1,796
1942..	..	2,146	1,507	1,900	1,665	1,938	2,312	3,409	2,437	1,977
1943..	..	2,272	1,945	1,964	1,716	1,939	2,366	3,764	2,442	2,117
1944..	..	2,278	1,967	2,052	1,721	1,949	2,470	3,768	2,442	2,159
1945..	..	2,270	1,960	2,259	1,726	1,967	2,560	3,770	2,527	2,228

NOTE.—The index of wholesale prices above was first computed in 1912 and relates chiefly to basic materials and foods weighted in accordance with consumption in the years immediately preceding that date. Neither the component items nor the weighting have been varied. Consequently the index is a measure of changes in wholesale price levels based on usages which have altered substantially since the period on which the weighting was determined. As such it is useful as an indication of long-term trends over the past 85 years which it covers, on the assumption that the relative importance of component items remained constant. But it no longer serves as a measure of price variations from month to month or from year to year of commodities weighted in accordance with present-day consumption. Reference to a description of the index published in the annual *Labour Report* will indicate that animal feeders preponderate in the "Agricultural Produce" group, while "Building Materials" include little besides imported timber. In other groups, some principal items have increased in consumption while others have decreased. A new wholesale price index, covering basic materials and foodstuffs, has therefore been computed, in which the items have been regrouped and reweighted as indicated, and comparative index numbers back to 1928-29 are published on the next page.

WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS. BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS.

Following a conference of Statisticians in 1930 an index has been computed from new data on prices and consumption. Both in contents and method of computation it differs from the Melbourne Index of Wholesale Prices published on the previous page. The price quotations have in the main been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants, and, with a few important exceptions, from Melbourne sources. Apart from home-produced building materials, coal and one or two minor commodities, however, the price movements may be taken as representative of fluctuations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets. The weighting system adopted is based on average annual consumption during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.

(Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Oils, Fats and Waxes.	Textiles.	Chemicals.	Rubber and Hides.	Building Materials.	Foodstuffs and Tobacco.	Goods principally Imported. (a)	Goods principally Home Produced.	All Groups.
1928-29 ..	1,269	1,064	1,288	1,214	1,148	948	1,070	911	1,183	1,103
1937-38 ..	1,013	1,012	1,000	1,001	969	1,041	997	1,018	1,000	1,005
1938-39 ..	1,025	1,004	815	1,011	925	970	1,029	991	1,020	1,011
1939-40 ..	1,051	1,152	1,038	1,068	1,163	1,084	1,012	1,106	1,025	1,047
1940-41 ..	1,074	1,374	1,105	1,236	1,256	1,284	1,069	1,325	1,060	1,140
1941-42 ..	1,173	1,509	1,184	1,372	1,350	1,352	1,169	1,525	1,123	1,242
1942-43 ..	1,288	1,667	1,471	1,422	1,379	1,628	1,279	1,760	1,212	1,373
1943-44 ..	1,310	1,695	1,501	1,432	1,398	1,743	1,287	1,824	1,217	1,396
1944-45 ..	1,307	1,676	1,518	1,428	1,398	1,747	1,308	1,819	1,232	1,405
1945-46 ..	1,302	1,561	1,518	1,416	1,398	1,766	1,344	1,782	1,254	1,410
1943-44—										
July ..	1,310	1,694	1,569	1,433	1,398	1,741	1,305	1,824	1,233	1,407
August ..	1,310	1,694	1,541	1,433	1,398	1,741	1,291	1,823	1,222	1,398
September ..	1,310	1,694	1,502	1,433	1,398	1,741	1,297	1,828	1,224	1,402
October ..	1,310	1,694	1,507	1,433	1,398	1,741	1,286	1,826	1,216	1,396
November ..	1,310	1,694	1,436	1,433	1,398	1,741	1,279	1,829	1,206	1,389
December ..	1,310	1,694	1,499	1,433	1,398	1,743	1,275	1,821	1,209	1,389
January ..	1,310	1,696	1,490	1,433	1,398	1,743	1,279	1,828	1,210	1,392
February ..	1,310	1,696	1,490	1,433	1,398	1,743	1,269	1,815	1,208	1,386
March ..	1,310	1,696	1,490	1,430	1,398	1,746	1,271	1,818	1,208	1,387
April ..	1,310	1,696	1,490	1,430	1,398	1,746	1,289	1,832	1,215	1,397
May ..	1,310	1,696	1,490	1,430	1,398	1,746	1,291	1,818	1,223	1,398
June ..	1,308	1,696	1,507	1,430	1,398	1,746	1,307	1,820	1,235	1,407
1944-45—										
July ..	1,308	1,696	1,512	1,430	1,398	1,747	1,312	1,819	1,239	1,410
August ..	1,308	1,696	1,542	1,429	1,398	1,747	1,306	1,817	1,237	1,408
September ..	1,308	1,696	1,525	1,430	1,398	1,747	1,291	1,814	1,225	1,399
October ..	1,308	1,696	1,523	1,430	1,398	1,747	1,288	1,821	1,221	1,397
November ..	1,310	1,696	1,515	1,430	1,398	1,747	1,289	1,831	1,217	1,398
December ..	1,306	1,696	1,515	1,430	1,398	1,747	1,290	1,834	1,216	1,398
January ..	1,306	1,678	1,516	1,430	1,398	1,746	1,291	1,822	1,217	1,396
February ..	1,306	1,678	1,516	1,430	1,398	1,748	1,304	1,830	1,225	1,404
March ..	1,306	1,678	1,511	1,430	1,398	1,748	1,314	1,824	1,235	1,408
April ..	1,306	1,678	1,511	1,430	1,398	1,748	1,333	1,835	1,245	1,419
May ..	1,306	1,609	1,525	1,429	1,398	1,748	1,331	1,795	1,249	1,410
June ..	1,306	1,609	1,510	1,406	1,398	1,748	1,346	1,790	1,261	1,417
1945-46—										
July ..	1,305	1,609	1,502	1,410	1,398	1,758	1,347	1,793	1,259	1,417
August ..	1,303	1,609	1,508	1,410	1,398	1,758	1,349	1,797	1,259	1,418
September ..	1,303	1,566	1,508	1,410	1,398	1,758	1,353	1,791	1,257	1,415
October ..	1,303	1,566	1,489	1,417	1,398	1,758	1,348	1,802	1,249	1,411
November ..	1,303	1,566	1,496	1,417	1,398	1,758	1,332	1,778	1,246	1,404
December ..	1,303	1,566	1,507	1,417	1,398	1,758	1,328	1,778	1,244	1,399
January ..	1,302	1,566	1,511	1,417	1,398	1,762	1,331	1,783	1,244	1,403
February ..	1,302	1,566	1,515	1,417	1,398	1,769	1,328	1,768	1,249	1,403
March ..	1,300	1,566	1,515	1,418	1,398	1,769	1,348	1,786	1,257	1,413
April ..	1,300	1,519	1,540	1,418	1,398	1,783	1,355	1,773	1,262	1,413
May ..	1,300	1,519	1,579	1,418	1,398	1,783	1,355	1,774	1,263	1,413
June ..	1,300	1,519	1,544	1,418	1,398	1,783	1,352	1,766	1,263	1,410
1946-47—										
July ..	1,300	1,519	1,523	1,418	1,398	1,783	1,345	1,766	1,257	1,407
August ..	1,300	1,462	1,530	1,418	1,398	1,783	1,333	1,745	1,245	1,393
September ..	1,300	1,462	1,803	1,418	1,398	1,783	1,331	1,743	1,255	1,398

(a) Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the wholesale price index. This index does not measure changes in price of imports generally.

PRIMARY PRODUCTION PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

The annual index-numbers in the following table have been recomputed to the base Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000 from the revised series published in *Production Bulletin* No. 36 Part II. They are based in general on prices realized in the principal markets of Australia.

The monthly index-numbers (based on the nearest equivalent wholesale quotations) are intended progressively to forecast the point which the annual index-numbers will eventually reach, and to provide a preliminary figure for the latest full year pending the completion of the annual census of production. The preliminary index-numbers will be revised as each production census is completed.

(Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)

Period.	Agriculture.	Pastoral.	Farmyard and Dairying.	All Farming.	Mining other than Gold.(a)	Gold. (a)	All Groups.
1928-29	1,167	1,289	1,221	1,234	1,235	487	1,213
1938-39	896	878	1,059	918	933	1,011	922
1939-40	893	1,021	1,066	984	974	1,113	987
1940-41	1,004	1,086	1,025	1,046	1,076	1,215	1,053
1941-42	(b)1,008	(b)1,158	1,075	(b)1,090	1,176	1,218	(b)1,101
1942-43	(b)1,157	(b)1,273	1,171	(b)1,214	1,249	1,191	(b)1,216
1943-44	(b)1,259	(b)1,327	1,213	(b)1,281	1,298	1,191	(b)1,281
1944-45	1,597	(b)1,318	(b)1,200	(b)1,393	(b)1,367	1,197	(b)1,385
1945-46(c)	(d)1,742	(b)1,335	(b)1,200	b d1,452	(b)1,390	1,219	b d1,439
1945-46—(c)		(b)	(b)	(b)			(b)
July	1,601	1,344	1,200	1,406	1,365	1,227	1,397
August	1,601	1,344	1,200	1,406	1,361	1,227	1,397
September	1,601	1,340	1,200	1,405	1,369	1,227	1,395
October	1,601	1,325	1,200	1,398	1,394	1,227	1,389
November	1,601	1,319	1,200	1,395	1,394	1,227	1,387
December	(d)1,913	1,319	1,200	(d)1,505	1,394	1,227	(d)1,485
January	(d)1,894	1,320	1,200	(d)1,490	1,390	1,227	(d)1,480
February	(d)1,832	1,336	1,200	(d)1,484	1,390	1,227	(d)1,467
March	(d)1,819	1,344	1,200	(d)1,483	1,390	1,227	(d)1,466
April	(d)1,819	1,344	1,200	(d)1,483	1,390	1,227	(d)1,468
May	(d)1,811	1,344	1,200	(d)1,480	1,390	1,227	(d)1,466
June	(d)1,813	1,344	1,200	(d)1,481	1,391	1,227	(d)1,466
1946-47(c)—							
July	(d)1,817	1,329	1,200	(d)1,475	1,391	1,227	(d)1,461
August	(d)1,843	1,312	1,200	(d)1,477	1,410	1,227	(d)1,463
September	(d)1,850	1,542	1,200	(d)1,584	1,413	1,227	(d)1,558

(a) Year ended previous December. (b) Revised. (c) Preliminary figures. (See note at head of table.) (d) Revised in accordance with estimated increase in price of wheat under Wheat Stabilization Plan.

EXPORT PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

These index-numbers are compiled from the prices of 20 commodities which constitute about 85 per cent. of all exports. The prices are multiplied by the average quantities exported during a fairly recent and representative period.

(Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)

Year.	Ex-cluding Gold.	In-cluding Gold.	Month.	1944-45.		1945-46.		1946-47.	
				Ex-cluding Gold.	In-cluding Gold.	Ex-cluding Gold.	In-cluding Gold.	Ex-cluding Gold.	In-cluding Gold.
1928-29	1,205	1,173	July ..	1,236	1,234	1,350	1,342	1,665	1,636
1934-35	741	753	August ..	1,258	1,255	1,346	1,338	1,703	1,670
1935-36	942	946	September ..	1,283	1,279	1,364	1,355	1,899	1,853
1936-37	1,155	1,144	October ..	1,312	1,305	1,369	1,360	..	..
1937-38	1,024	1,022	November ..	1,300	1,294	1,369	1,360	..	..
1938-39	821	834	December ..	1,300	1,295	1,517	1,497	..	..
1939-40	964	980							
1940-41	1,026	1,039	January ..	1,317	1,311	1,526	1,506	..	..
1941-42	1,047	1,059	February ..	1,312	1,307	1,543	1,522	..	..
1942-43	1,137	1,142	March ..	1,321	1,314	1,576	1,552	..	..
1943-44	1,169	1,171	April ..	1,333	1,326	1,580	1,556	..	..
1944-45	1,304	1,298	May ..	1,328	1,319	1,585	1,561	..	..
1945-46	1,476	1,459	June ..	1,342	1,335	1,584	1,560	..	..

NOTE.—While the index-numbers above indicate satisfactorily the general trend of the market, they take no account of the relative quantities actually sold at the different prices ruling in each month and consequently do not give an adequate indication of the significance of the price movements as they actually affected current sales. This is shown more accurately by the Export Price Index (Changing Base), published in the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics* and in the computation of which the "quantity-multipliers" are changed each month.

COMPARATIVE INDEX-NUMBERS FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES COMBINED.

* (Base of Each Section : Weighted Average of Six Capitals, 1911 = 1,000.)

Period.	Retail Price Index-numbers.						Nominal Wages, Adult Males.	Real Wages. (b)	Percentage of Unemployment among Trade Unionists.
	Food and Groceries.	Housing (4 and 5 Rooms). (a)	Food, Groceries and Housing (4 and 5 Rooms). "B" Series.	Clothing.	Miscellaneous.	All Items of Household Expenditure. "C" Series.			
Year—									%
1911	1,000	1,000	1,000	(c)1,000	(c)1,000	(c)1,000	1,000	1,000	4.7
1914	1,144	1,082	1,121	1,140	1,140	1,140	1,081	948	8.3
1921	1,902	1,410	1,717	1,883	1,537	1,680	1,826	1,087	11.2
1928	1,761	1,743	1,755	1,507	1,537	1,675	1,963	1,172	10.8
1932	1,425	1,336	1,390	1,215	1,457	1,377	1,639	1,190	29.0
1938	1,584	1,540	1,568	1,253	1,463	1,488	1,799	1,209	8.7
1939	1,657	1,577	1,626	1,271	1,465	1,526	1,846	1,211	9.7
1941	1,693	1,595	1,654	1,690	1,613	1,673	1,997	1,194	3.7
1942	1,843	1,596	1,742	1,977	1,693	1,809	2,164	1,196	1.6
1943	1,855	1,595	1,749	2,177	1,766	1,876	2,309	1,231	1.1
1944	1,834	1,595	1,737	2,168	1,773	1,867	2,326	1,246	1.2
1945	1,849	1,595	1,746	2,155	1,767	1,868	2,339	1,252	1.2
Quarter—									
1936.									
December ..	1,510	1,461	1,491	1,203	1,449	1,430	1,659	1,160	10.7
1937.									
March	1,510	1,470	1,495	1,205	1,452	1,433	1,662	1,160	9.9
June	1,507	1,483	1,498	1,221	1,461	1,441	1,680	1,166	9.
September ..	1,526	1,499	1,516	1,230	1,464	1,454	1,721	1,184	9.
December ..	1,540	1,510	1,529	1,245	1,467	1,465	1,763	1,203	8.2
1938.									
March	1,540	1,521	1,534	1,247	1,466	1,467	1,778	1,212	8.0
June	1,572	1,534	1,558	1,255	1,461	1,482	1,787	1,206	8.6
September ..	1,616	1,547	1,589	1,256	1,463	1,500	1,806	1,204	9.2
December ..	1,608	1,559	1,589	1,256	1,463	1,501	1,823	1,215	8.9
1939.									
March	1,673	1,568	1,631	1,258	1,461	1,524	1,826	1,198	9.6
June	1,654	1,575	1,623	1,264	1,461	1,522	1,847	1,214	9.5
September ..	1,645	1,582	1,620	1,264	1,463	1,520	1,854	1,220	10.2
December ..	1,657	1,584	1,628	1,297	1,472	1,536	1,858	1,210	9.3
1940.									
March	1,640	1,587	1,620	1,342	1,481	1,542	1,864	1,209	7.9
June	1,688	1,589	1,649	1,415	1,518	1,583	1,875	1,184	10.5
September ..	1,676	1,591	1,642	1,450	1,533	1,590	1,903	1,197	7.4
December ..	1,710	1,593	1,663	1,572	1,542	1,635	1,912	1,169	6.2
1941.									
March	1,713	1,595	1,666	1,598	1,581	1,651	1,966	1,191	5.3
June	1,679	1,595	1,646	1,669	1,594	1,660	1,984	1,195	3.6
September ..	1,673	1,595	1,643	1,705	1,633	1,675	2,002	1,195	3.2
December ..	1,705	1,596	1,662	1,787	1,644	1,707	2,034	1,192	2.9
1942.									
March	1,771	1,597	1,701	1,838	1,667	1,746	2,091	1,198	1.8
June	1,832	1,596	1,736	1,942	1,673	1,793	2,127	1,186	1.7
September ..	1,887	1,595	1,768	2,028	1,689	1,835	2,182	1,189	1.6
December ..	1,880	1,595	1,764	2,098	1,741	1,860	2,257	1,213	1.3
1943									
March	1,860	1,595	1,752	2,130	1,749	1,863	2,283	1,225	1.2
June	1,891	1,595	1,771	2,216	1,763	1,897	2,292	1,208	1.1
September ..	1,853	1,594	1,748	2,192	1,773	1,880	2,331	1,240	1.1
December ..	1,815	1,595	1,726	2,171	1,778	1,864	2,329	1,249	1.1
1944.									
March	1,824	1,595	1,731	2,167	1,775	1,864	2,322	1,246	1.0
June	1,834	1,595	1,737	2,160	1,773	1,865	2,322	1,245	1.4
September ..	1,852	1,595	1,748	2,166	1,772	1,873	2,327	1,242	1.2
December ..	1,827	1,595	1,733	2,180	1,770	1,867	2,332	1,249	1.2
1945.									
March	1,838	1,595	1,739	2,149	1,767	1,863	2,333	1,252	1.1
June	1,854	1,595	1,749	2,141	1,767	1,866	2,336	1,252	1.1
September ..	1,860	1,595	1,752	2,140	1,767	1,868	2,340	1,253	1.2
December ..	1,842	1,595	1,742	2,189	1,767	1,874	2,348	1,253	1.2
1946.									
March	1,853	1,595	1,748	2,201	1,772	1,881	2,354	1,251	1.4
June	1,863	1,595	1,754	2,259	1,776	1,900	2,360	1,242	1.3
September ..	1,839	1,596	1,741	2,299	1,776	1,902	2,378	1,250	1.4

(a) See footnote (c) on page 82.

(b) Index of nominal weekly wage rates divided by "C" Series index of retail prices.

(c) Taken back from true base (November, 1914 = 1,000) by means of the Food and Rent (All Houses) Index.

* The index-numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing and food and groceries, since the cost in 1911 in each group or combination of groups is made equal to 1,000.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY—AUSTRALIA.

Heading.	Years.							
	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1931.	1941.	1944.
POPULATION (a)—Males ..	1,247,059	1,736,617	2,004,836	2,382,232	2,799,462	3,332,577	3,592,862	3,675,835
Females ..	1,059,677	1,504,368	1,820,077	2,191,554	2,711,532	3,220,029	3,539,771	3,656,866
Total ..	2,306,736	3,240,985	3,824,913	4,573,786	5,510,994	6,552,606	7,132,633	7,332,701
BIRTHS—Number ..	80,004	110,187	102,945	122,193	136,198	118,509	134,525	153,344
Rate ..	35.26	34.47	27.16	27.21	24.95	18.16	18.95	21.02
DEATHS—Number ..	33,327	47,430	46,330	47,869	54,076	56,560	71,176	69,596
Rate ..	14.69	14.84	12.22	10.66	9.91	8.67	10.02	9.54
MARRIAGES—Number ..	17,244	23,862	27,753	39,482	46,869	38,882	75,148	68,201
Rate ..	7.60	7.47	7.32	8.79	8.59	5.96	10.58	9.35
	1881-82.	1891-92.	1901-02.	1911-12.	1921-22.	1931-32.	1941-42.	1944-45.
AGRICULTURE—								
Wheat—Area '000 acres	2,996	3,335	5,116	7,428	9,719	14,741	12,003	8,463
Yield '000 bus.	21,444	25,675	38,562	71,636	129,089	190,612	166,713	52,880
Average yield bus.	7.16	7.70	7.54	9.64	13.28	12.93	13.89	6.25
Oats—Area '000 acres	195	246	461	617	733	1,085	1,460	2,34
Yield '000 bus.	4,796	5,726	9,790	9,562	12,147	15,195	22,302	8,970
Average yield bus.	24.62	23.27	21.22	15.50	16.56	14.00	15.27	4.41
Barley—Area .. acres	75,864	68,068	74,511	116,466	298,910	342,396	784,253	613,944
Yield '000 bus.	1,353	1,179	1,520	2,057	6,086	6,291	18,004	5,020
Average yield bus.	17.84	17.31	20.40	17.66	20.36	18.37	22.96	8.19
Maize—Area .. acres	165,777	284,428	294,849	340,065	305,186	269,448	301,860	256,955
Yield .. '000 bus.	5,726	9,262	7,035	8,940	7,840	7,062	7,436	6,463
Average yield bus.	34.54	32.56	23.86	26.29	25.69	26.21	24.67	25.15
Hay—Area '000 acres	768	942	1,688	2,518	2,995	2,635	2,758	2,409
Yield .. '000 tons	767	1,067	2,025	2,868	3,902	3,167	3,575	1,994
Average yield tons	1.00	1.13	1.20	1.14	1.30	1.20	1.30	0.83
Potatoes—Area .. acres	(c) 76,265	112,884	109,685	130,463	149,144	145,111	99,324	241,803
Yield .. tons	(c) 243,216	380,477	322,524	301,489	388,091	397,102	332,727	881,049
Average yield tons	(c) 3.19	3.37	2.94	2.31	2.60	2.74	3.35	3.64
Sugar-cane—Area (d) acres	19,708	45,444	86,950	101,010	128,350	241,576	254,564	226,423
Yield '000 tons	350	738	1,368	1,682	2,437	4,213	5,154	4,598
Av. yield tons	17.74	16.23	15.73	16.65	18.99	17.44	20.25	20.31
Vineyards—Area .. acres	14,569	48,882	63,677	60,802	92,414	112,961	129,739	128,881
Wine '000 gal.	1,438	3,438	5,262	4,975	8,543	14,191	16,045	14,419
Total net value of all agricultural production £'000	(e) 15,519	(e) 16,988	(e) 23,835	(e) 23,774	(e) 31,890	49,714	62,133	71,689
PASTORAL, DAIRYING, ETC.—								
Live-stock—Horses '000	1,088	1,585	1,620	2,278	2,438	1,776	1,611	1,359
Cattle ..	8,011	11,112	8,491	11,829	14,441	12,261	13,561	14,133
Sheep ..	65,093	106,421	72,040	96,886	86,119	110,619	125,189	105,871
Pigs ..	703	846	931	1,111	960	1,168	1,477	1,631
Wool production (h) '000 lb.	319,649	634,046	539,395	798,391	725,059	1,007,456	1,167,159	1,017,543
Butter ..	(f)	(g) 42,315	(g) 103,747	(g) 212,074	(g) 207,071	391,249	375,494	317,997
Cheese ..	(f)	(g) 10,131	(g) 11,845	(g) 15,887	(g) 32,653	31,423	67,520	77,550
Bacon and ham ..	(f)	(g) 16,772	(g) 34,021	(g) 53,335	(g) 58,626	71,122	95,119	125,991
Total net value of—								
pastoral production £'000	} e 29,538	(e) 39,256	(e) 36,890	(e) 72,883	(e) 119,399	43,025	85,358	98,374
dairying production £'000						22,564	34,344	46,183
	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1931.	1941.	1944.
MINERAL PRODUCTION—								
Gold .. £'000	5,194	5,282	14,018	10,552	4,019	3,564	15,991	6,901
Silver and lead ..	46	3,736	2,249	3,022	1,540	1,444	6,256	4,415
Copper ..	714	367	2,215	2,564	804	568	1,505	2,602
Tin ..	1,146	561	448	1,210	418	216	1,001	838
Zinc ..	..	3	4	1,415	283	513	1,590	1,620
Coal ..	638	1,912	2,603	3,927	11,015	6,355	10,872	12,684
Total value of all mineral production .. £'000	7,820	12,074	21,817	23,303	19,997	13,352	41,257	33,178
					1921-22.	1931-32.	1941-42.	1944-45.
FORESTRY PRODUCTION—								
Quantity of local timber								
sawn or hewn—								
'000 sup. ft.	(f)	(f)	452,181	604,794	590,495	236,707	913,675	825,575
FACTORIES—								
Number of factories				14,455	18,023	21,657	26,971	28,930
Hands employed ..				311,710	378,540	336,658	725,342	750,579
Wages paid .. £'000	(i)	(i)	(i)	27,528	68,051	55,932	180,052	207,652
Value of production				51,259	121,674	110,982	316,439	362,283
Total value of output				135,022	320,332	281,646	773,059	886,005

(a) At 31st December. (b) Subject to revision. (c) Partly estimated. (d) Productive cane.
 (e) Gross value. (f) Not available. (g) Years ended December. (h) In terms of greasy. (i) Owing
 to variation in classification effective comparison is impossible.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY—AUSTRALIA—continued.

Heading.	Years.							
	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921-22.	1931-32.	1941-42.	1944-45.
SHIPPING—								
Oversea vessels entered and cleared .. '000 tons	3,284	3,778	4,028	4,174	3,111	3,057	2,544	2,147
COMMERCE—	2,549	4,726	6,542	9,985	9,081	11,396	10,768	9,133
Imports—Oversea £'000	29,067	37,711	42,434	66,968	103,066	44,713	152,005	188,483
Per head .. £	12/16/2	11/16/0	11/3/11	14/18/2	18/14/1	6/16/6	21/5/11	25/13/5
Exports—Oversea £'000	27,528	36,043	49,696	79,482	127,847	85,843	134,927	123,969
Per head .. £	12/2/8	11/5/6	13/2/2	17/13/10	23/4/1	13/1/11	18/18/1	16/17/9
Total—Oversea trade £'000	56,595	73,754	92,130	146,450	230,913	130,556	286,932	312,452
Per head .. £	24/18/10	23/1/6	24/6/1	32/12/0	41/18/2	19/18/5	40/4/0	42/11/2
Net Customs and Excise duties .. £'000	4,809	7,441	8,657	13,515	27,565	28,525	(b) 55,551	(b) 66,487
Per head .. £	2/2/5	2/6/7	2/5/8	2/19/2	5/0/1	4/7/1	7/16/8	9/0/3
PRINCIPAL OVERSEA EXPORTS								
(c)—								
Wool—Quantity (d) '000 lb.	328,369	619,260	518,018	720,365	927,834	893,644	937,376	673,659
Value .. £'000	13,173	19,940	15,237	26,071	47,977	32,102	58,041	49,387
Wheat—Quantity '000 bus.	5,365	9,795	20,260	55,148	99,947	127,401	22,313	32,391
Value .. £'000	1,190	1,939	2,775	9,642	28,644	19,220	4,645	9,752
Flour—Quantity '000 tons	50	33	97	176	360	611	414	560
Value .. £'000	520	328	590	1,392	5,520	3,833	4,191	6,732
Butter—Quantity '000 lb.	1,299	4,240	34,607	101,722	127,347	201,639	130,347	93,739
Value .. £'000	39	207	1,451	4,637	7,968	10,250	8,125	8,250
Hides and skins .. "	317	874	1,251	3,227	3,137	2,316	5,982	6,602
Tallow .. "	644	571	678	1,936	1,442	831	842	670
Meats .. "	363	461	2,611	4,303	5,542	6,370	14,094	14,045
Timber (undressed) .. "	118	38	731	1,024	1,158	433	320	308
Gold .. "	6,445	5,704	14,316	12,046	3,483	11,893	9,188	..
Silver and lead .. "	58	1,932	2,250	3,213	2,697	2,902	7,434	6,363
Copper .. "	677	418	1,619	2,346	705	472	18	26
Coal .. "	361	646	987	901	1,100	342	259	224
GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—								
Length of line open miles	3,832	9,541	12,579	16,078	23,502	26,959	27,241	27,213
Capital cost .. £'000	42,741	99,764	123,224	152,195	244,353	321,972	322,152	327,276
Gross revenue .. "	3,910	8,654	11,038	17,848	38,195	37,580	66,482	74,504
Working expenses .. "	2,142	5,630	7,134	10,946	29,818	28,142	51,043	61,370
Per cent. of working expenses on gross revenue %	54.77	65.06	64.63	61.33	78.07	74.88	76.78	82.36
POSTAL—								
Letters and post-cards dealt with .. '000	67,640	157,297	220,853	453,063	561,973	731,135	921,901	932,143
Per head No.	29.61	49.07	58.26	100.90	102.01	111.62	129.17	125.77
Newspapers dealt with '000	38,063	85,280	102,727	141,638	140,477	139,502	177,974	184,860
Per head No.	16.66	26.61	27.10	31.54	25.50	21.30	24.94	24.94
CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS (e)—								
Note circulation .. £'000	3,979	4,417	3,399	3,718	(f) 214	197	167	166
Coin and bullion held .. "	9,108	16,713	19,781	33,471	21,627	2,882	4,479	16,590
Advances .. "	57,733	129,742	86,353	108,579	193,436	(g) 260,918	(g) 323,850	(g) 251,705
Deposits .. "	53,849	98,345	91,487	143,447	(h) 273,867	(g) 319,241	(g) 482,722	(g) 762,441
SAVINGS BANKS (i)—								
Total deposits .. £'000	7,854	15,537	30,883	59,394	154,396	197,966	274,275	566,964
Average per head of population .. £	3/10/5	4/18/7	8/3/0	13/8/5	28/0/4	30/1/11	38/4/7	76/16/10
					1921.	1931.	1941.	1944.
STATE SCHOOLS—								
Schools .. No.	4,494	6,231	7,012	8,060	9,445	10,097	9,535	8,651
Teachers .. "	9,028	12,564	14,500	16,971	26,120	33,762	32,066	31,200
Enrolment .. "	432,320	561,153	638,478	638,850	819,042	936,901	836,655	878,248
Average attendance .. "	255,143	350,773	450,246	463,799	666,498	817,262	732,116	722,942

(a) Import and export values are in British currency. Imports are recorded in British currency; the recorded values for exports were:—1931-32, £A.109,034,000; 1941-42, £A.168,977,000; and 1944-45, £A.155,271,000, *vide* page 18.
 (b) Excludes Special War Tax of 10 per cent. on Amount of Customs Duties on all goods entered for home consumption on and after 3rd May, 1940.
 (c) Australian produce, except gold, which includes re-exports.
 (d) In terms of greasy.
 (e) Figures for first three years are averages for the December quarter; the remainder for the June quarter.
 (f) Decrease due to prohibition of re-issue.
 (g) Government "set-off" accounts interstate (Commonwealth Bank) excluded.
 (h) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank deposits.
 (i) First three years at 31st December; remainder 30th June.



